



Salt and Light

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Introduction:

- Discovering who God made us to be
- Influencing for God

Key Thought: When you know who you are, you'll know what to do.

You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its taste, it cannot be made salty again. Salt is useless if it loses its salty taste. It will be thrown out where people will just walk on it. You are the light that shines for the world to see. You are like a city built on a hill that cannot be hidden. People don't hide a lamp under a bowl. They put it on a lampstand. Then the light shines for everyone in the house. In the same way, you should be a light for other people. Live so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:13-16

What does salt do?

1. Salt _____

2. Salt _____

3. Salt _____

4. Salt _____

5. Salt _____

My _____ as Salt and Light...

1. Let your _____

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing songs to God. The other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so strong that it shook the foundation of the jail. All the doors of the jail opened, and the chains on all the prisoners fell off. The jailer woke up and saw that the jail doors were open. He thought that the prisoners had already escaped, so he got his sword and was ready to kill himself. But Paul shouted, "Don't hurt yourself! We are all here!"

Acts 16:25-28

2. Be a _____

The jailer told someone to bring a light. Then he ran inside and, shaking with fear, fell down in front of Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" They said to him, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved—you and all who live in your house." So Paul and Silas told the message of the Lord to the jailer and all the people who lived in his house. It was late at night, but the jailer took Paul and Silas and washed their wounds. Then the jailer and all his people were baptized. After this the jailer took Paul and Silas home and gave them some food. All the people were very happy because they now believed in God.

Acts 16:29-34

Next Steps:

- I commit to increasing my faith and commitment to God. (I need more of God in my life)
- I will be an influencer (salt and light) for _____
- One way that I believe God wants me to be salt and light is _____
- I will use the *Invest & Invite* card to reach out to my friends and pray for them
- _____