

For the week of September 15, 2019
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The Not-So-Secret Ingredient

Third week in the series: *Blessed Are*

Matthew 5:13-16

If followers of Jesus live in the kingdom of the heavens, what does that mean about their involvement in the kingdom of earth? Before Jesus gets into his description of what life looks like when you follow him, he answers this question. His suggestion is freeing and practical. The unlikely group of his followers are the symbol of the kingdom to the world around them. When they live their lives out loud, the world is changed as a result.

Discussion Questions:

1. How do some of the non-Christians you know regard Christianity?
2. What are the first things you think about when you hear the metaphors of salt and light?
3. How have you seen the lives of Jesus followers making things better where they live?
4. Are you personally more inclined to hide your faith or try to win the culture war?
5. How can you live your life out loud?
6. Have you seen the quiet witness of those who follow Jesus have an impact?