



## Sermon on the Mount ENGAGE THE WORLD

## Life Groups Discussion Guide

November 17, 2019

### **SALT & LIGHT** Matthew 5:13–16

1. Fundamentals of faith are not just for new Christians but for all Christians. How are you continuing to grow in fluency with the language of the gospel?
2. Read Matthew 5:13–16. What does this say about who Christians are? What is the one command God gives in this passage?
3. How does the metaphor of salt help us understand the impact and flavor we have in the world? How does the metaphor of light help us understand the impact we have as we reflect Jesus?
4. What are practical indicators that you might be losing your own “saltiness”? If you recognize these indicators in yourself, how can you become more “salty”?
5. When it comes to being salt and light:
  - a. Where are you most likely to choose one or the other?
  - b. Where are you most likely to make it about you and your preferences and not about God’s glory and commands? How does Matthew 16:24–28 help change your perspective?
  - c. In what place or relationships are you most likely to give yourself an excuse to not live out this passage? “I don’t have to live out my identity as salt or light because \_\_\_\_\_.” Identify those places. Then repent and rejoice.
6. When you are talking with unbelievers, to what degree do you give credit to God and the gospel for why you are doing good?
7. Get practical with your contribution: What action steps do you need to implement to be salty and shine this week in a world that doesn’t know Jesus?