

A SERIES IN MATTHEW 5-7

SUMMER ON THE MOUNT

DISCUSSION GUIDE

© GROUPS





MATTHEW 5:13-16

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

The goal is to see how **Christians have the greatest ability to influence a lost world for the glory of God.**

CONNECT

Use these questions to begin the discussion:

1. If you could only ever use one seasoning or sauce for the rest of your life, what would it be?

READ THE TEXT

Ask a group member to read the following text out loud: **Matthew 5:13-16**

DISCUSS & APPLY

These questions are designed to help us **know, love, and serve** God fully. Don't feel pressure to get through all the questions, especially if you find that your group needs to spend extra time in one place.

1. Read verse 13. What does it mean to be the salt of the earth?
2. One function of salt is that it adds to the taste of food; it makes it better. Does your faith result in your being a joyful person? Why or why not?
3. Another function of salt is that it preserves food. In a post-Christian era, how do we impact the culture in a positive without turning the gospel into a message about good works?
4. If salt loses its taste it becomes worthless. What is the danger of not looking different from the world? Are there any parts of your life that look a little too much like the world?
5. Read verse 14. Jesus describes himself as the light of the world in John 8:12. How are we also the light of the world?
6. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden and you don't light a lamp and then set it under something. Do the people in your life know you are a Christian by your actions? By your words?



7. Jesus says that our light must shine so that God is glorified by ourself and others. Others have said that our chief purpose in life is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. How do we do that and why does it matter?
8. Pastor Daniel closed with a call for us to be in the world, to be different from the world, and to point the world to Jesus. What is one way for you to practically live that out this week?

PRAY

Thank God for the gift of His church. Pray for a desire to make love the motivation for all that we do. Ask God to help your group grow in their spiritual gifts and desire to use them to serve the church and to evangelize.

COMMUNITY GROUP MISSION PARTNERS

As we seek to make gospel-centered disciples among all people for the glory of God, we step into our communities and the rest of the world as ambassadors of Christ. Our community groups have an awesome opportunity to serve together in this mission by adopting a local partner and an international partner to invest in. To adopt a local and international partner, fill out this form:

<https://christcommunity.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/573/responses/new>

