

Salt & Light (Matthew 5:13-20)

Introduction: *A comment by my seminary classmate*

I. BELIEVERS ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH

- A. The beautiful words of The Beatitudes (Matt 5:1-12)

- B. The purpose of salt:
 - 1. to preserve (Gen.18);
 - 2. to purify (Eze 16:4; 2Kings 2:19-22)
 - 3. to heal

II. THE LORD HAS MADE US SALT

- A. By God's grace, through God's Word and Holy Baptism, we became Children of God

- B. As God's children, we have the privilege to participate in saving souls

III. BELIEVERS ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

- A. Many people are in spiritual darkness and have no hope when they face death

- B. Jesus is the real light, we are his reflections, we are light in the Lord (Eph 5:8)

- C. We show love and care in order to spread the Gospel

Conclusion: We treasure our privilege to give glory to our Father in heaven