Family Discipleship Resource February 5-11 (Matthew 5:13-16)



G – <u>Gather for Prayer</u>

Father,

Thank you for saving me out of the rottenness and darkness of this world! Help me to be the redemptive agent you desire me to be as a citizen of Your Kingdom.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

R – <u>Read the Text (Matthew 5:13-16)</u>

13 "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.

14 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; 15 nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

O – Observe what God has said

Why do you think Jesus uses these two word pictures in this part of his sermon?

What does it mean to be salty? What does it mean to be light?

W – Work on Application

Taken with last week's message on Matthew 5:1-12, we learn that God calls His followers as much out of the world in sanctification (distinguishing ourselves with kingdom values that are foreign to the kingdoms of this world) as He calls us into the world through engagement (as salt and light).

What are some examples we can think of as a family of being salt and light in our world?

How might we choose to be salt and light in the world this week?

Family Weekly Memory Verse: "Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."-James 2:17