

## Citizens in God's Kingdom Make a Difference Matthew 5:13-16

**Main point:** God has always \_\_\_\_\_ His people to live a \_\_\_\_\_ life among the world so that they shine His light and bring about the \_\_\_\_\_ of His name

I. \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 5-7) background info.

1. The gospel of Matthew was written for the \_\_\_\_\_

2. The Sermon on the Mount is written in a way to remind one of the giving of the \_\_\_\_\_ on Mt. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Jesus, the Great \_\_\_\_\_, is not giving a new law here but is teaching His disciples (the New Covenant people of God) how to actually \_\_\_\_\_ the Law of God

-the sinful man wants to obey God's law simply through \_\_\_\_\_ actions only-but Jesus (the Great Teacher) tells us that God desires obedience out of a \_\_\_\_\_ heart

II. God's first priority for His people has always been that they would live a \_\_\_\_\_ (holy) life

1. Under the Old Covenant-God's \_\_\_\_\_ concern after saving His people was that they live holy before Him

-Immediately after the 10 Commandments come God's \_\_\_\_\_ rules for His people

2. Under the New Covenant-God's \_\_\_\_\_ concern after saving His people is that they live holy before Him

-Immediately after the 9 Beatitudes come God's \_\_\_\_\_ rules for His people

III. Disciples of Jesus are to be the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Matthew 5:13

1. Believers are to be known as \_\_\_\_\_ the earth

2. Believers are a gift of God's \_\_\_\_\_ to the earth to help keep the earth from \_\_\_\_\_ itself

-The way believers do this is to remain \_\_\_\_\_ and to not become useless by being \_\_\_\_\_ by the sin of the world  
Matthew 5:13

IV. Disciples of Jesus are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world that cannot be \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 5:14

-This light is a "\_\_\_\_\_ light" not a "self-generated" light-Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ light of the world and His disciples are to reflect His light in their lives

-How do believers reflect this light to the world?-By living \_\_\_\_\_ lives for the Lord out of love for God

V. Disciples of Jesus do not keep the light of the \_\_\_\_\_ from being visible to the world around them

Matthew 5:15

-True disciples of Jesus do not follow the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the majority of Jewish people under the Old Covenant

Matthew 5:12

VI. Disciples of Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the world to see the light of Jesus and live in such a way that His light can be \_\_\_\_\_ so that God the Father is \_\_\_\_\_

-This is done by living a \_\_\_\_\_ life before men that they may see it and praise God

Matthew 5:16

### Application

The greatest thing for a believer is to live \_\_\_\_\_ - this comes before evangelism

Are you living in such a way that the \_\_\_\_\_ of God is shining through you?