## Today's Quote:

"A man who truly realizes what it means to be a Christian, who realizes all that the grace of God has meant to him and done for him, and understands that, ultimately, God has done this in order to that he may influence others, is a man who cannot conceal it. Not only that; he does not desire to conceal it." Martyn Lloyd-Jones, Studies in the Sermon on the Mount

## **Upcoming Lessons:**

Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> Kingdom Righteousness Before Man (Matthew 5:17-48)

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Kingdom Righteousness Before God (Matthew 6:1-18)

Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> Kingdom Security (Matthew 6:19-34)

Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> Kingdom Relationships (Matthew 7:1-20)

Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> Kingdom Commitment Matthew 7:21-29

Sunday, August 31st Conclusion

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# The Sermon on the Mount Kingdom Influence (Matthew 5:13-16)

I. Kingdom Results in Kingdom Influence
II. Kingdom Influence as Salt (v. 13)
1. The world is because of sin.
2. God uses us as "salt" to preserve
3. Like Jesus and through the Holy Spirit, we must be increasingly "salty
III. Kingdom Influence as Light (vv. 14-16a)
1. The world is dark with
2. God uses us as "light" to expose
3. Like Jesus and through the Holy Spirit, we must "shine" increasingly.
V. Kingdom Influence Results in Kingdom (v. 16b)

#### Questions for Personal Reflection and Prayer:

- 1. What are some unique ways God has grown your "kingdom character?"
- 2. What are some personal areas where you struggle to remain "salty?"
- 3 What are some specific ways you can "shine" more brightly in your speech, attitude, behavior, and use of resources?