

How Good Hearts Shine Matthew 5:1–12





The *Product* Matthew 5:13–16





The **Process** Matthew 5:1–12



V.3 – "Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

To be salt and light, we must have a heart that banishes <u>self</u>—<u>reliance</u>.

Luke 18:9 (NKJV) ⁹ Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

Luke 18:10–11 (NKJV) ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector.

Luke 18:12 (NKJV) ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.'

Luke 18:13 (NKJV) ¹³ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!'

Matthew 9:12 (NKJV) ¹² When Jesus heard that, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.

Matthew 9:13 (NKJV) ¹³ But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice.' For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."

V.4 – "Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted."

2. To be salt and light, we must we must have a heart that banishes *indifference*.

Psalm 51:3-4 (NKJV) ³ For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin *is* always before me. ⁴ Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight-That You may be found just when You **speak**, And blameless when You judge.

V.5 – "Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth."

3. To be salt and light. we must have a heart that banishes *arrogance*.

V.6 – "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled."

To be salt and light, we must have a heart that banishes *spiritual anorexia*.

V.7 – "Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy."

5. To be salt and light, we must move have a heart that banishes *heavy handedness*.

Ephesians 4:31–32 (NKJV) ³¹ Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

V.8 – "Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God."

6. To be salt and light, we must have a heart that banishes the <u>contamination</u> of the world.

2 Corinthians 6:14 (NKJV) ¹⁴ Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

Romans 12:2 (NKJV) ² And *do not be* conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

V.9 – "Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God."

7. To be salt and light, we must move have a heart that banishes the spirit of *agitation*.

Romans 5:1 (NKJV) 5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

V.10 – "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

8. To be salt and light, we must have a heart that banishes the attitude of <u>conflict avoidance</u>.

Luke 6:26 (NKJV) ²⁶ Woe to you when all men speak well of you, For so did their fathers to the false prophets.

Matthew 10:34 (NKJV) ³⁴ "Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword.

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- Hear Jesus (Romans 10:17)
- Believe Jesus (John 8:24)
- Repent and turn to Jesus (Acts 17:31)
- Confess faith in Jesus (Romans 10:9-10)
- Be Baptized into Jesus (Acts 22:16)
- Live faithful in Jesus (Matthew 10:22)

