



Kingdom People in a Dark World

Matthew 5:13-20

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Answers to the fill in the blanks, extra Bible verses and study questions

- I. **Our Distinctive Influence (Salt)**
- II. **Our Visible Witness (Light)**
- III. **Our Greater Righteousness**

Study Questions to Go Deeper with God:

1. **Light is a common theme in Scripture. If you'd like to study deeper, see God as light (Psalm 18:12; 104:2; 1 Timothy 6:16; 1 John 1:5), Christ as light (Matthew 4:16; John 1:7, 9; 8:12; 9:5; 12:46), God's people as light (Ephesians 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:5), and people are drawn to God through the light (Isaiah 42:6; 49:6; 51:4; Philippians 2:15).**
2. **Our works are meant to glorify God. See how this is developed elsewhere in Scripture (2 Corinthians 4:6; Philippians 2:15; Titus 2:8; 1 Peter 2:12, 15).**
1. **Second Corinthians 5:21 shows how we receive the righteousness of Christ (which surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees). Read 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 for a rich picture of Christ's work on our behalf.**