

Love and Obey

Clara was a happy little girl. She loved to smile, help others, and read her Bible. She loved to obey God and honor her parents.



You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. 'This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:37-40



You are the salt of the earth!

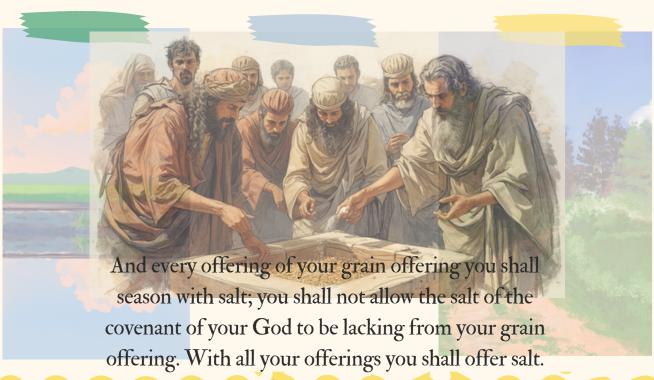
One day, Grandma said, "Salt is very special in God's book!"



"You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. Matthew 5:13

Salting for love

"Long ago," Grandma said, "people gave gifts to God with salt. It showed love



Leviticus 2:13



"Salt keeps food fresh," said Grandma



God's Word keeps our hearts clean!"



For every one shall be salted with fire, and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt. Mark 9:49

salt = the word of God

Clara asked, "Is the Bible like salt?"

"Yes!" said Grandma. "It helps us grow strong, wise





"Is not My word like a fire?" says the Lord,

"And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces? Jeremiah 23:29

let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.

Colossians 4:6

"that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, Ephesians 5:26

the word cleanses

Grandma read, "God's Word washes us clean!"

Clara smiled big.



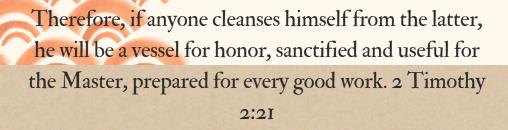
"Salt makes soup yummy. God's Word makes life



sweet!"

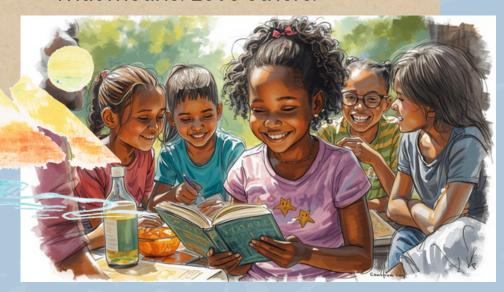


Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another." Mark 9:50



When washed, we can love

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the world!"
That means: Love others!



forever salted

"Stay salty!" said Grandma. "Keep reading and loving!"



Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, 5 thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. I

Corinthians 13:4-7

