



Salt and Light

Matthew 5:13-16

The Salt Covenant

“When we hear the term salt, the understanding is that the things God/Yahweh addresses are **eternal, enduring, never changing, and abiding forever.**”

“All salt covenants then are **eternal, and eternally binding.**”

- Rabbi Moshe Yoseph Koniuchowsky

Leviticus 2:13 - Salt Covenant

“Season all your grain offerings with salt to remind you of God’s eternal covenant. Never forget to add salt to your grain offerings.”

Salt is the opposite of leaven.

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Roman Soldiers

“Salt was one of the most common substances in the ancient world. Roman soldiers were paid in salt and would revolt if they didn’t get their ration.”

Salt Money

“Indeed, our English word “salary” comes from the Latin *salarium*, which literally means “salt-money.” ”

“When we say someone is *worth their salt*, we mean literally that he or she earns whatever reward they get, which usually refers to their paycheck, but can also simply denote a person who is worthy of respect or admiration.”

Matthew 5:13 - Salt

The church exists for the world's sake more than for its own.

God's people are chosen, not for their own comfort, but to show men the beauty of the Divine life, and to raise them to the same level.

God's people has a moral and spiritual standard to uphold. (*J. G. Greenhough, M. A.*)

Matthew 5:15 - Light

“It’s whole purpose for being on the hill is to be viewed by others. So, says Jesus, is the purpose of your life as a follower. You are built for the purpose of being seen: And there are plenty of observers.”

Matthew 5:16 - Work

Greek word for work is *ergon* (noun) and *ergazomai* (verb).

Ergonomics - **Ergonomics** is **defined** as the study of how people work in their environment.

- to perform a job or task
- to labor, occupation
- business, employment, that with which anyone is occupied
- that which one undertakes to do, enterprise, undertaking
- any product whatever, any thing accomplished by hand, art, industry, or mind

Matthew 5:16 - Glorify

To cause the dignity and worth of some person or thing to become manifest and acknowledged.