SALTY

September 13, 2020 Matthew 5:13

Salt is good? "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with each other (Mark 9:50)." Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth. But... (Math. 5:13)."

1. How can salt be good?

- Salt is life giving. "No human life is possible without sodium chloride or salt...it is the only trace mineral found in every cell in the human body...salt is a biological necessity (Pastor Jack Wellman)."
- Salt is a preservative.
- Salt enhances flavor.
- Salt makes you thirsty like eating potato chips.
- Salt is healing. Think of homemade chicken noodle soup.
- Salt melts ice.

2. How can you stay salty?

- Salt loses its effectiveness when it is <u>contaminated</u>. In those days especially when it was mixed with gypsum (Dead Sea). Don't compromise!!! Repent!
- "We are meant to be present and active without being ostentatious, effective without being overbearing, and influential without seeking power (Chris Tiegreen)."
- Stay in God's word. Joshua 1:7-8 Consider often Matthew 5:3-12.
- Stay centered on Jesus. Hebrews 12:1-2 Let the Holy Spirit lead you.
- Be eager to serve others and show them kindness and mercy with passion and enthusiasm. Never give up. Gal. 6:9 "Wholehearted" football clip from "Facing the Giants."