

REACH: Living and Giving the Message of Christ

Series: *“Welcome to Us!”*

Message #4: Matthew 5:13-16

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hidden. ¹⁵No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

**1. We're salt:
shaken and
stirred.**

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- **The Imagery: Christians are “salt.”**

- **The Implications: What's going on in this picture?**

- **The Impossibility: Salt can't be both polluted and useful.**

**2. We're light:
penetrating
darkness.**

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John 3:19–20 (CSB) - *This is the judgment: The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil.*
²⁰*For everyone who does evil hates the light and avoids it, so that his deeds may not be exposed.*

Romans 6:23 (CSB) - *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Acts 4:10–12 (CSB) – “Let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified and whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing here before you healthy. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone rejected by you builders, which

has become the cornerstone.

*¹²There is salvation in no one else,
for there is no other name under
heaven given to people by which
we must be saved.”*

Mark 10:45 (CSB) – *“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

Luke 19:10 (CSB) – *“For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost.”*

John 20:21 (CSB) - “*As the Father has sent me, I also send you.*”

Romans 10:13–15 (CSB) - *For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”* ¹⁴*How, then, can they call on him they have not believed in? And how can they believe without hearing about him? And how can they hear without a preacher?* ¹⁵*And how can*

*they preach unless they are sent?
As it is written: “How beautiful are
the feet of those who bring good
news.”*







3. The Takeaways