MATTHEW 5 – What does Jesus connect with the following?

Coming to fulfill not abolish

Not true of a city on a hill

Anything beyond these is evil

Turn not from one who wants to

Be like your heavenly Father

Wrong way to look on a woman

Being hungry and thirsty

A footstool for God’s feet

Salt and Light

Sermon on the Mount, Lesson 4

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This lesson continues our study of Matthew chapter 5 and the Sermon on the Mount.

SALT OF THE EARTH

Matthew 5:13-16

Salt and light have properties that make them very apt symbols of the Christian

Salt is a cleanser. It promotes healing. Bathing a cut or sore in salt water helps kill infection. Salt, as a mild abrasive, can be used as a cleanser. The Christian’s influence in the world cleanses and heals.

Salt is a preservative. It will prevent meat and fish from going bad, and other foods can be preserved in brine. The Christian’s influence helps preserve the things which are good, and keep out the rotten influences.

Salt is an enhancer. It enhances the flavour of food, and the temperature of freezing or boiling water. The Christian’s influence enhances the world and brings joy to life.