

Be Different (Part I) – Salt & Light

1/10/2010

1. The subject matter for this series is going to revolve around relationships. Why are relationships so difficult?

2. The scriptural basis for this series is the Sermon on the Mount found in Matt. 5-6, described by Pastor Steve as the bedrock on which Christianity is founded. It describes a special kind of relationship known as discipleship. What is a disciple?

3. Read Matt. 5:1-10, often known as The Beatitudes. What strikes you as different or unusual about these verses?

4. Jesus said that those who practiced these characteristics were “blessed”. What does that mean to you?

5. Read on to Matt. 5:11-12. Here we find the first use of the word “you”. What has changed?

6. Now read on to Matt. 5:13-16. It talks about salt and light. What are some uses of salt and light that might help us understand these verses?
 - A) Salt

 - B) Light

7. Given those descriptions, how can we be the “salt” and “light” of the world?

8. Pastor Steve said that relationships are not property. What does that mean to you?