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## *The Bride of Christ*

SALT OF THE EARTH

Matthew 5:13

### Salty church (adding value). Matt. 5:13

- Distinctive and different. Matt. 5:13; Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 6:17-20; 1 John 2:15-16; John 17:13-16
- Preserve our community. Matt. 5:13; Rom. 12:1-2; 1 John 2:15-16
- Penetrating into our community. Matt. 5:13; 2 Cor. 5:17; Eph. 4:20; Col. 3:10; Acts 1:8; Matt. 28:19-20
- Adding flavor to our community. Matt. 5-7; 1 Cor. 13:1-13
- Spreading Christ into our community. Matt. 5:13; Acts 1:8; Gal. 5:22-23; John 13:34-35; 1 Pet. 3:15
- Being irresistible to our community. Matt. 5:13; John 13:34-35; Rom. 12:1-2

### Saltless church (losing its value). Matt. 5:13; Rev. 2-3

- Loveless. Rev. 2:1-7
- Worldly. Rev. 2:12-17
- Compromising. Rev. 2:18-29
- Death. Rev. 3:1-6
- Lukewarm. Rev. 3:14-22

### Remaining salty. Rev. 2-3

- The suffering church. Rev. 2:8-11
- The faithful church. Rev. 3:7-13