



## Part 1– Salt of the Earth

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*God intends us to penetrate the world. Christian salt has no business to remain snugly in elegant little ecclesiastical salt cellars; our place is to be rubbed into the secular community, as salt is rubbed into meat, to stop it going bad. And when society does go bad, we Christians tend to throw up our hands in pious horror and reproach the non-Christian world; but should we not rather reproach ourselves? One can hardly blame unsalted meat for going bad. It cannot do anything else. The real question to ask is: Where is the salt? ~ John Stott*

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*Matthew 5:13 (NIV) – You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.*

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*People become willing to consider Jesus when they like and trust the Christians they know. People need to know us before they can trust us, and they need to trust us before they'll go to church with us. We have to be the church before they'll go to church. ~ Karl Vaters*

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How do we get out of the saltshaker? (Karl Vaters)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ for them.
2. Build relationships with \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Play the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Live with \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Talk about \_\_\_\_\_, not just about \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Don't connect faith to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Be more \_\_\_\_\_ and less \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Live a life of \_\_\_\_\_.

9. Be \_\_\_\_\_, even if it means being \_\_\_\_\_.

10. Be \_\_\_\_\_.

11. Make fewer \_\_\_\_\_, have more \_\_\_\_\_.

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*Next Steps*

See the list above.