

8-SESSION BIBLE STUDY

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# NAVIGATING

A GUIDE TO FAITHFULLY READING

# GOSPEL

THE ACCOUNTS OF JESUS'S LIFE

# TRUTH

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- 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.
- 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

11 "You are blessed when they insult you and falsely say every kind of evil against you because you are persecuted for the name of Jesus the Son of Man. Rejoice, because your reward is great in heaven. For the prophets who were persecuted before you were persecuted in this way."

**Believers Are Salt and Light**

12 "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 and is trampled underfoot and thrown away. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. 13 No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bushel or a barrel; instead, one puts it on a lampstand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 14 Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

**Christ Fulfills the Law**

17 "Don't think that I came to abolish the Law and the Prophets; I did not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass away from the Law until all is fulfilled. 18 Whoever breaks one of these least commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 19 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the Pharisees and the Sadducees, you will never get in."

### A CLOSER LOOK AT MATTHEW 5:

*Christine Caine*

Why did Jesus call us salt and light? Why are we called salt and light? They are catalysts, meaning that by their presence, they bring about change. In the first century, there was no way to preserve meat without salt. It's a method that worked so well, in fact, that it was used to preserve bacon, and even a few vegetables. Consider what light does to a candle. Consider what light does to a person who is blind. Agents of change can go from blindness to sight, from darkness to light. Agents of change can go from the coffee table to the earth and in the

Join us for this  
8-session study on  
faithfully reading the Gospels.