

Salt and Its Savor

Matthew 5:13; Mark 9:50; Luke 14:34-35

Introduction:

- This metaphor is a part of a much larger sermon, the Sermon on the Mount. To accurately understand and interpret it, one must view it in the context in which Jesus used it.

I. Worth of Salt

A. Ancient Testimony

B. Ancient Usage

1. Salt was required in the Jewish sacrificial worship.
2. Usage as money
3. Bind a covenant

II. Work of Salt

A. Salt is *distinctive*.

B. Salt *purifies*

C. Salt *flavors*

D. Salt *prods*

E. Salt *spreads*

F. Salt is *irrepressible*.

G. Salt *preserves*

III. Warning for Salt

A. Description of the Failure

B. Devaluation from the Failure

C. Duration of the Failure

D. Doom for the Failure