

HELPING OTHERS KNOW GOD

Welcome Home

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“You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. “You are the light of the world-like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.” (Matthew 5:13-16, NLT)

SALT: Live in a way that makes people thirsty for God.

LIGHT: Shine God’s grace and compassion into dark areas of despair.

I CAN DO THIS THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. LEARN TO LIVE BY FAITH.

“Let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up.” (Galatians 6:9, NLT)

“Keep on doing what is right, and trust your lives to the God who created you, for he will never fail you.” (1 Peter 4:19, NLT)

2. PRAY FOR PEOPLE PASSIONATELY AND PERSISTENTLY..

“I’M GOING TO ANSWER EVERY PRAYER YOU PRAYED LAST WEEK.”

“Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing.” (Luke 23:34, NLT)

“The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16, NLT)

3. HELP PEOPLE GET PAST THEIR DOUBTS.

"Go back to John and tell him what you have seen and heard-the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor."
(Luke 7:22, NLT)

"Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way." (1 Peter 3:15-16, NLT)

4. CONSTANTLY OFFER EXPRESSIONS OF GOD'S GRACE TO PEOPLE.

"Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity." (Colossians 4:5, NLT)

*"For "Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved."
But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?"*
(Romans 10:13-14, NLT)

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