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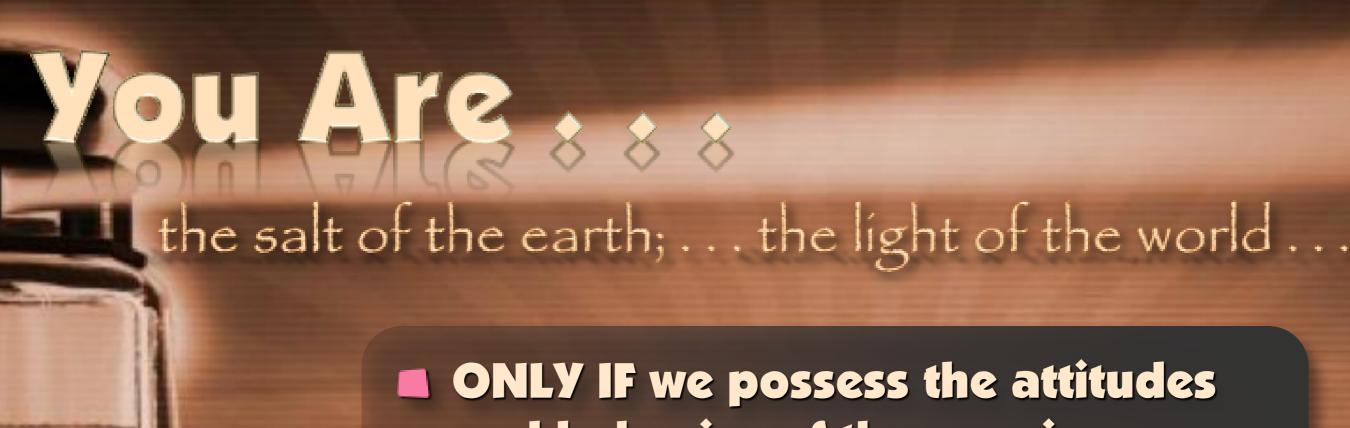
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- ONLY IF we possess the attitudes and behavior of the genuine kingdom citizen. (vs. 5:3-12)
  - ◆ ONLY then can we be a positive influence in the world and bring glory to God.
  - ♦ We can be a positive influence in this world ONLY if we are very different from the world!

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### Mark 9:49-50 (NKJV)

49 "For everyone will be seasoned with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt. 50 Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another."

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#### Luke 14:34-35 (NKJV)

34 "Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its flavor, how shall it be seasoned?

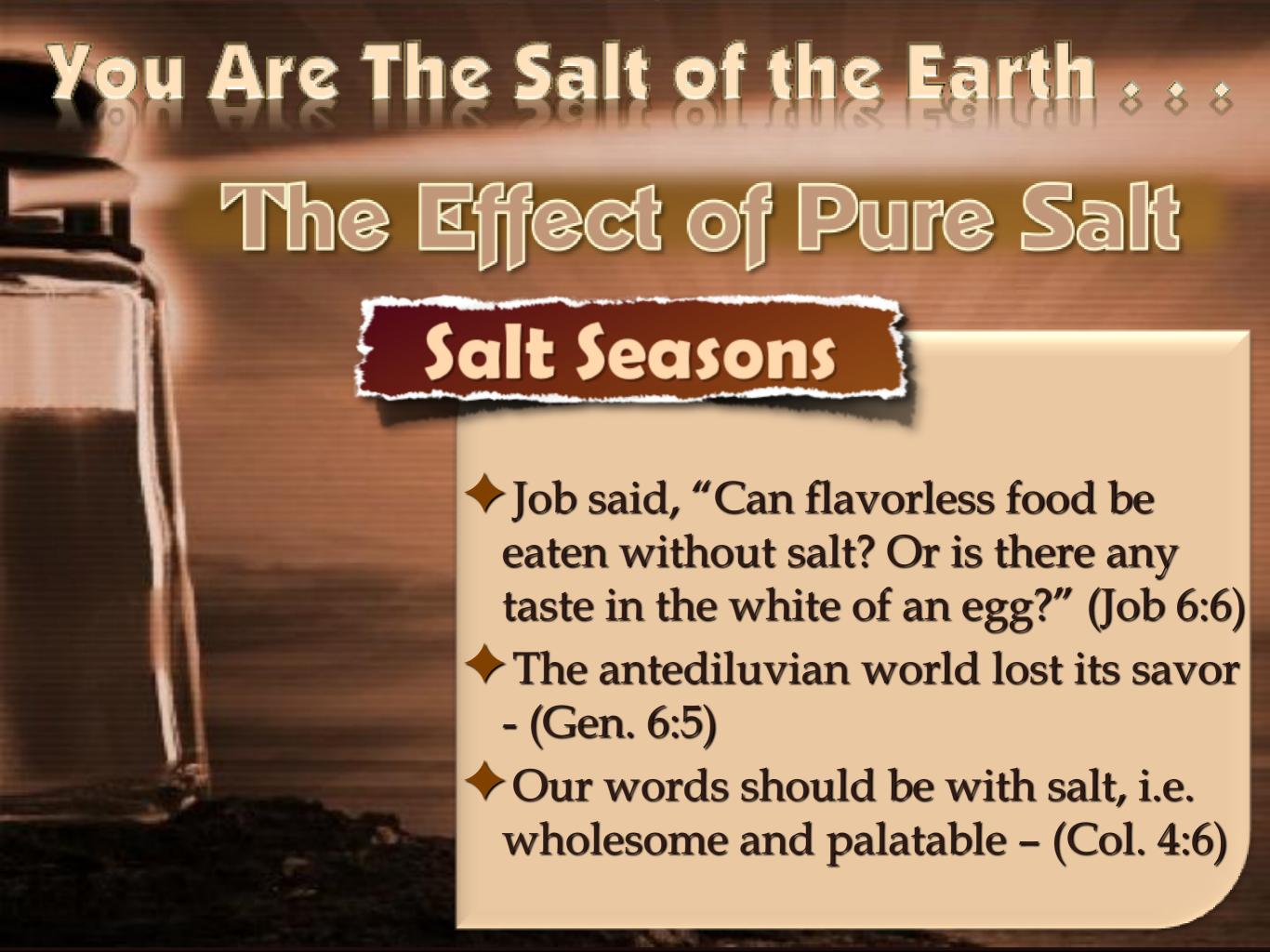
the dunghill, but men throw it out.

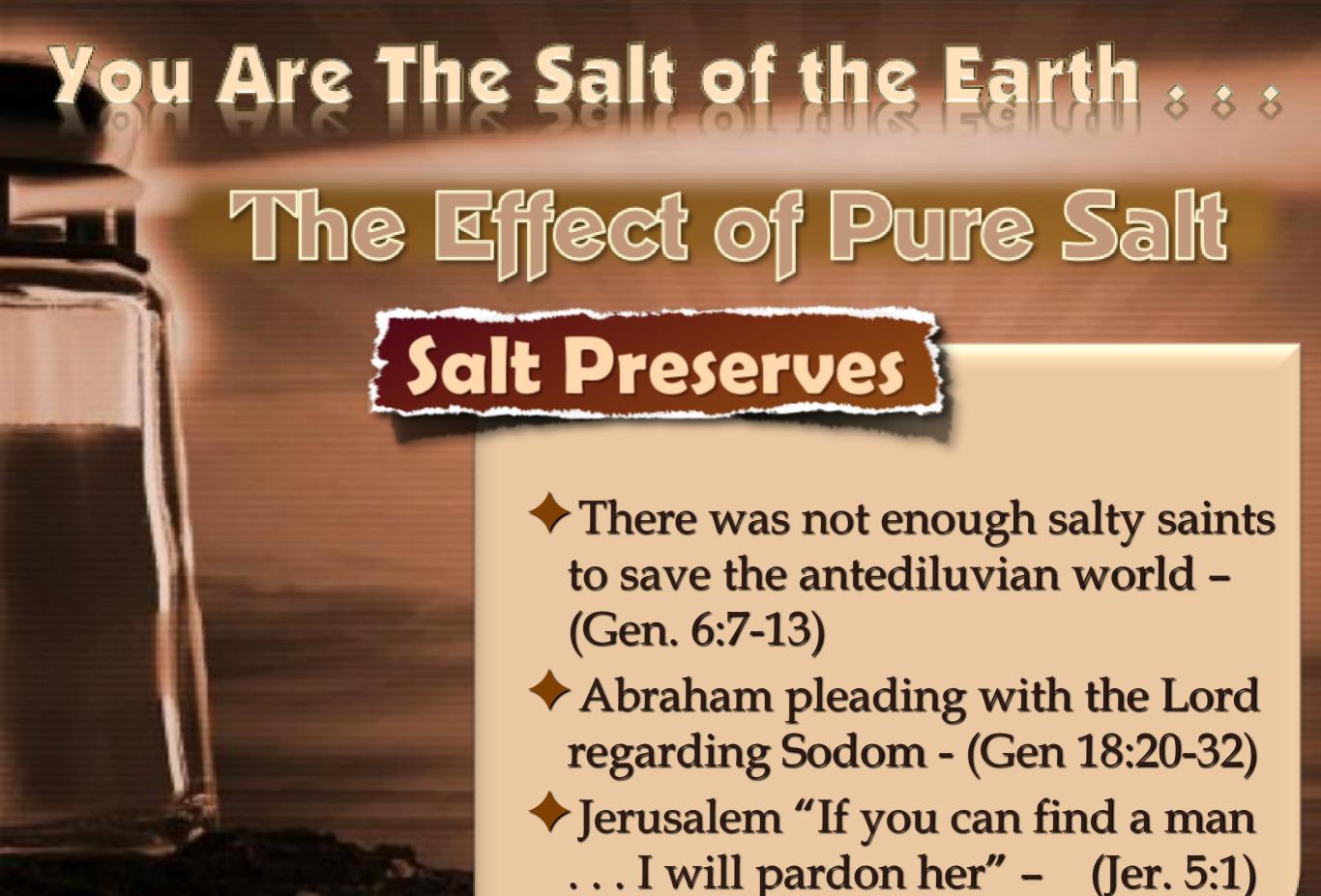
He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"



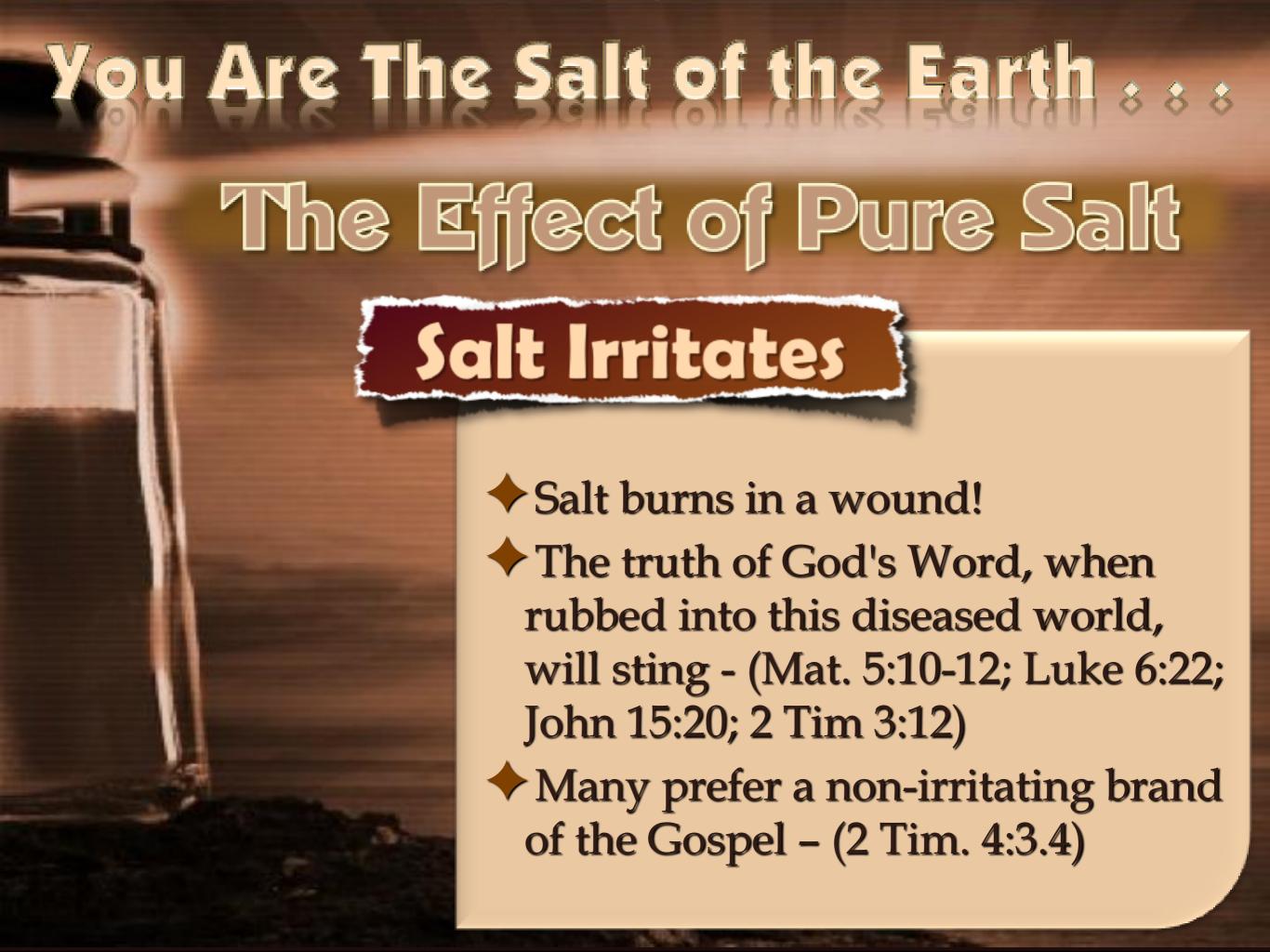
### Hebrews Used Salt In A Variety Of Ways

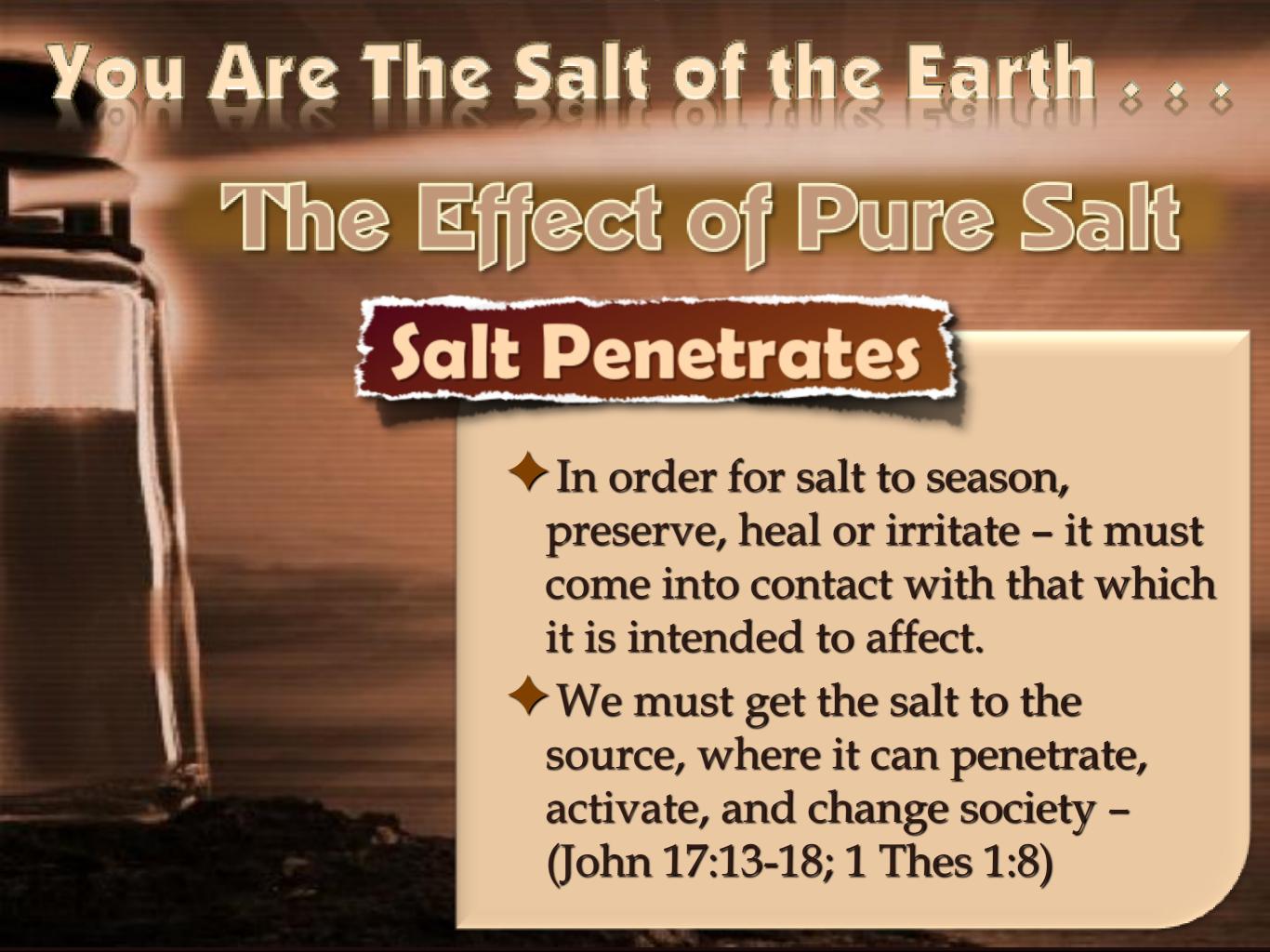
- Flavoring foods
- Preserving fish
- Drain blood from meats
- Infants were rubbed with salt -
- Treatment for tooth decay and tooth aches
- Ingredient in the sacred anointing oil
- Used in sacrifices (Num. 18:19)
- Absolutely necessary for life

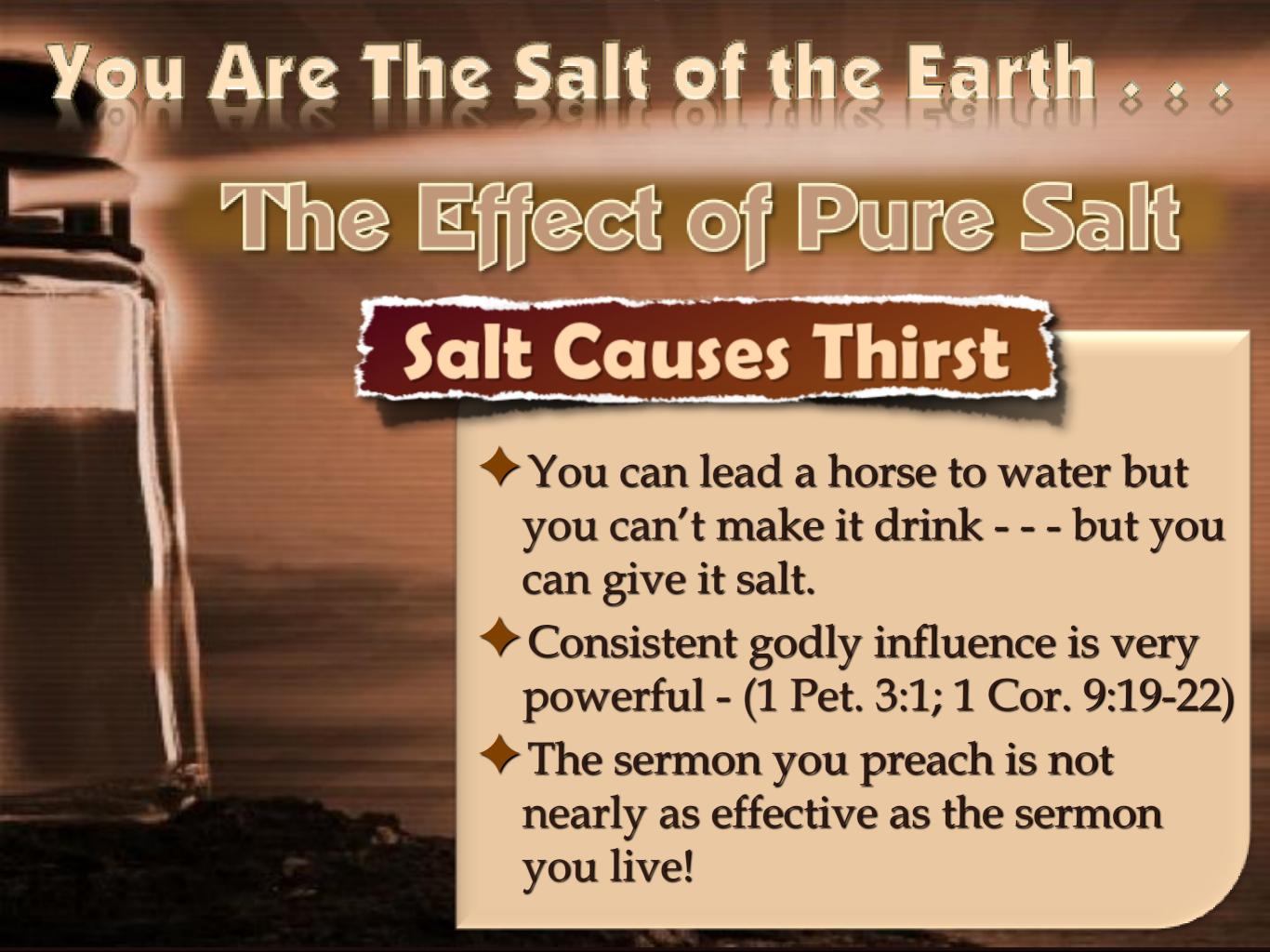


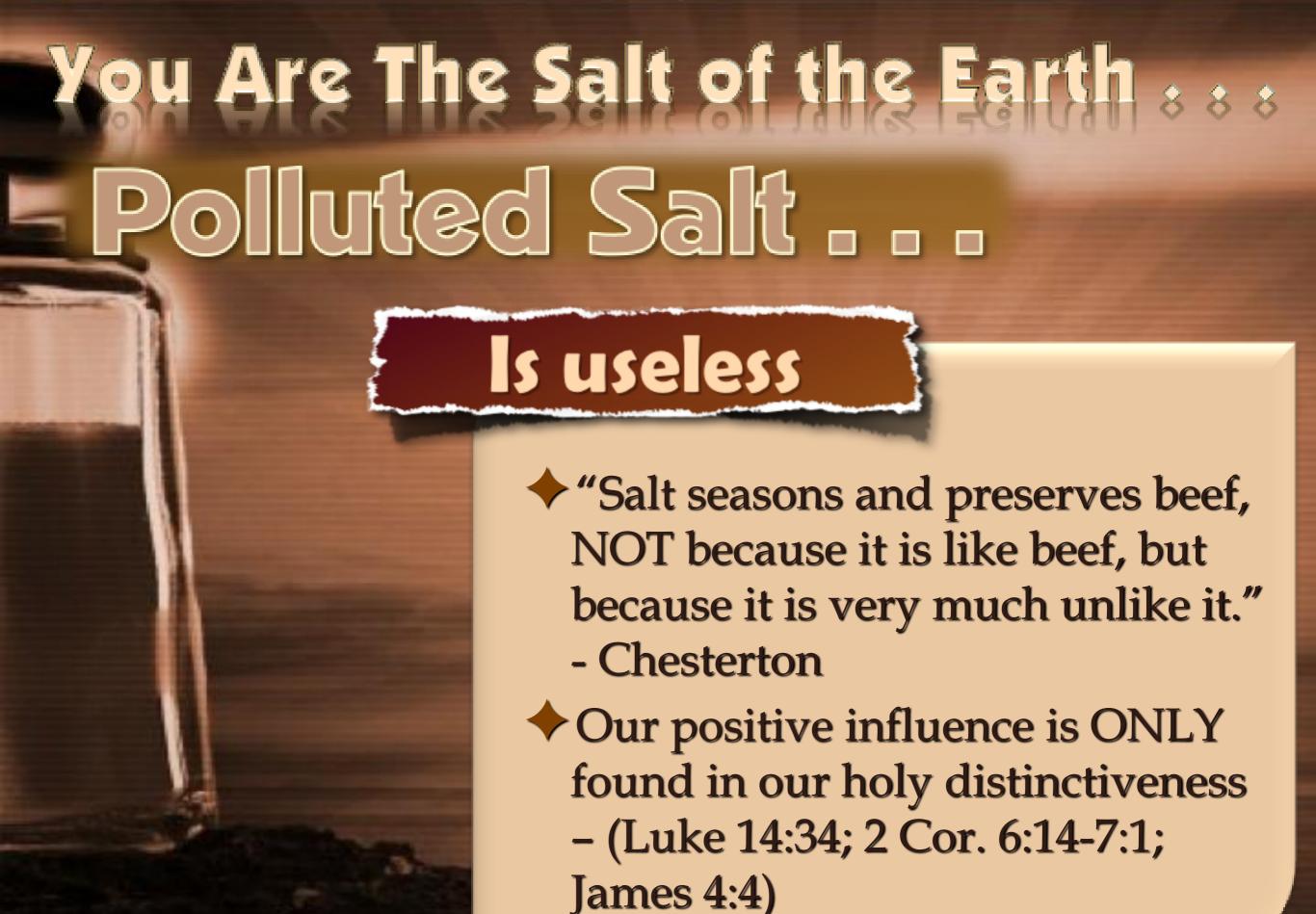














# You Are The Salt of the Earth ... Polluted Salt ...

### Is Thrown Out

- ◆ It is to be discarded trampled under the feet of men (Luke 14:35; Mat 7:23; 25:41)
- ◆ The REAL possibility of one losing their salvation & being lost - (John 15:1-10; Rom. 11:17-22; Heb. 10:24-39)

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## A City On A Hill

- → Those with the character of Christ and follow Him will radiate His light - (John 8:12; Prov 4:18; Eph 5:8-10)
- → Jesus expects His followers to be seen by the world (e.g., Jn 13:35; 17:21; [but Matt. 6:2, 16–18; 23:1–5])
- → Our Christianity should be evident.

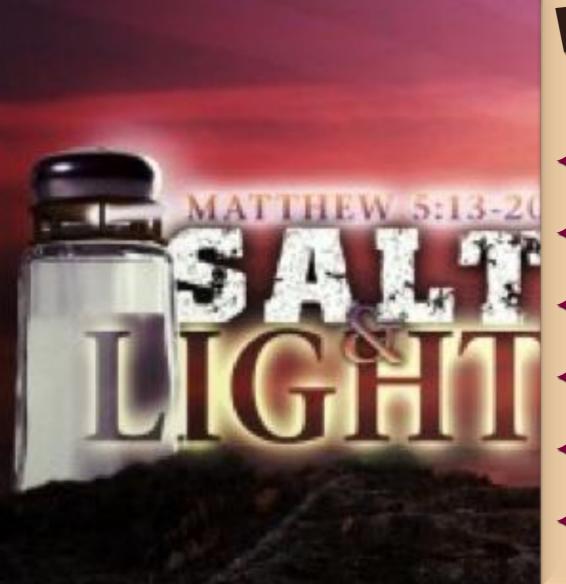
# Don't Hide Your Light

- → Must be actively walking in the light -(1 John 1:5,6)
- ◆ Not partaking with those who walk in darkness - (Eph 5:7)
- → Walking as children of light (Eph 5:8)
- ◆ Learning what is acceptable to the Lord- (Eph 5:10)
- Exposing works of darkness (Eph 5:11)
- → Walking wisely (Eph 5:15)

## Glorify Your Father

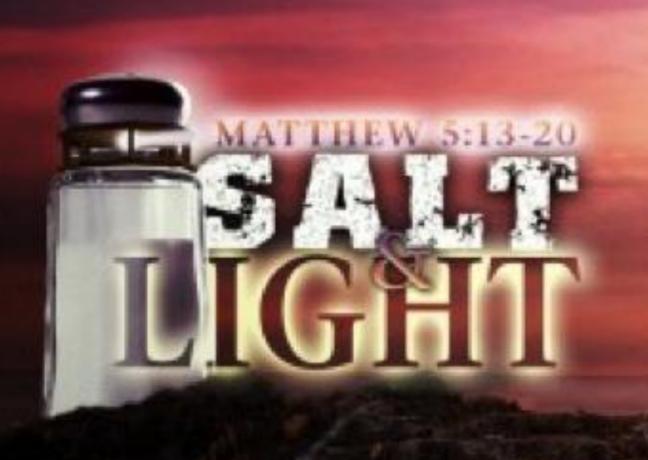
- **♦** In Our Morality!
- ◆ In Our Language!
- **♦** In Our Clothing!
- **♦** In Our Habits!
- **♦** In Our Entertainment!
- ◆ In Our Attitude!
- **♦** In Our Spirituality!

# This is not a time to be passive in our faithfulness to the Lord!



#### We Must Provide Godly Influence For -

- ♦ Our Nations sake ~
- ♦ Our communities sake
- ♦ Our sake
- ♦ Our children's sake ...
- ◆For Our Brethren's Sake -
- ♦ Mostly For the Lord's sake!

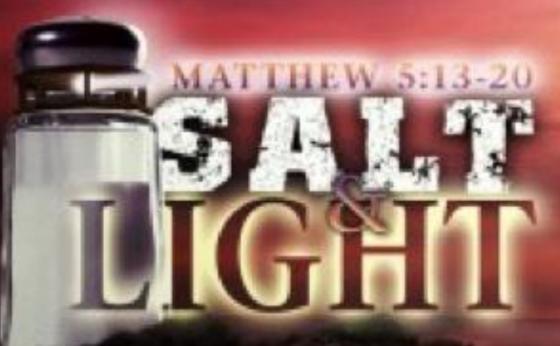


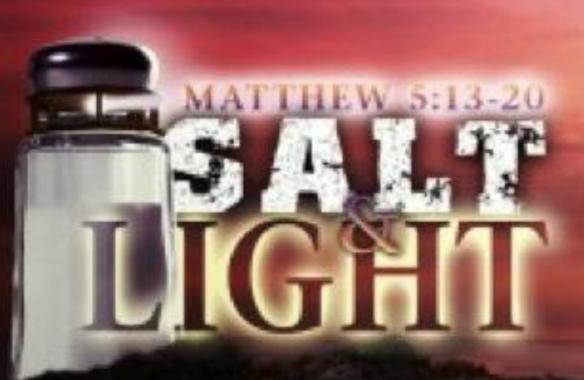
Are You A Child of God?

If So - Are You Providing The Positive Influence You Should?

Are You Glorifying God?

What is the message of your life?





# The Sermon On The Mount

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#### Philippians 2:12-18 (NKJV)

12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. 14 Do all things without complaining and disputing, 15 that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

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16 holding fast the word of life, so that | may rejoice in the day of Christ that | have not run in vain or labored in vain.

17 Yes, and if am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all.

18 For the same reason you also be

glad and rejoice with me.