

Times Are Changing “Salt and Light” – Ben Foote September 29-30, 2018

Group Creed

We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

Bible References: Matthew 5:13-16

Community:

1. Growing up, who had the most influence on how you saw yourself and helped guide you in finding your place in the world?
2. Who had the most impact on you as an adult, and how did they influence you?

Core:

1. Read **Matthew 5:13**. How do you think Jesus works through us to be the “salt of the earth?” Have you experienced this recently in your walk?
2. Read **Matthew 5:14-16**. What do you see as the difference between being “salt” and being “light?” What areas of darkness do you see in your world around you, and what would that look like to bring the light Jesus is talking about into those places?
3. Ben said, “We are God’s ‘Plan A’.” How do you think God has uniquely wired you to do this, and what gifts, talents, or character traits have you been given to do this?
4. What gets in the way of you being able to believe (or participate) in God using you to be salt and light? What do you think needs to happen for you to break down the barrier that’s stopping you?
5. Looking at the most important relationships in your life, what areas of darkness or decay do you see and what it would look like for you to be salt and light to them?

Challenge:

Read **Matthew 5:7-11** a few times this week, then ask God to show you what’s getting in the way of your believing (and living out) the truth that you are His Plan A.