

Pastor Shawn Thornton—
Weekend of June 13–14, 2020

A Difference of the Heart —Matthew 5:13–20

Part 4 of a sermon series on “The Sermon on the Mount”

*To make a meaningful impact for Christ’s Kingdom,
you have to be different in your _____ before you can be
different in your _____.*

To make a difference you have to be different...

A. In How You _____ to _____ (verses 13–16)

1. _____ (verse 13)

To be effective, salt has to make _____.

- » Engage the people in _____ of _____ right now
- » Engage the people _____ right now

*Key: Jesus left us here to _____ the people in our world,
not _____ from them.*

2. _____ (verses 14–16)

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Kingdom, not _____ them*

B. In How You _____ to _____ (verses 17–20)

1. Christ _____ for you what you could never _____ for yourself

» He lived the _____

» He died the _____

2. Christ _____ you what you could never _____ yourself

» _____ before God because all of your _____
was placed on _____

» _____ before God because all of Jesus’
_____ was placed on _____

**3. Christ _____ you on what you would never _____
on yourself**

» Coming to Jesus as Savior is about _____ His
_____ not _____ your _____

» Walking with Jesus as Lord is about being _____
by _____ not _____ by His _____

**Are you more focused on looking like a _____ or
letting God _____ your _____ ?**

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different in your life.*

To make a difference you have to be different...

A. In How You Relate to Others (verses 13–16)

1. Stay Salty (verse 13)

To be effective, salt has to make contact.

- » Engage the people in front of you right now
- » Engage the people around you right now

*Key: Jesus left us here to engage the people in our world,
not isolate from them.*

2. Shine Brightly (verses 14–16)

To be effective, light has to create contrast.

- » Live in such a way that Christ’s Kingdom values are always obvious
- » Live in such a way that Christ’s Kingdom values are never obscure

*Key: Jesus left us here to reveal the values of His Kingdom,
not blur them*

B. In How You Relate to God (verses 17–20)

1. Christ did for you what you could never do for yourself

- » He lived the perfect life
- » He died the final death

2. Christ gave you what you could never give yourself

- » Forgiveness before God because all of your sin was placed on Jesus
- » Righteousness before God because all of Jesus' righteousness was placed on you

3. Christ focused you on what you would never focus on yourself

- » Coming to Jesus as Savior is about receiving His grace not proving your goodness
- » Walking with Jesus as Lord is about being transformed by Him not living by His rules

Are you more focused on looking like a Christian or letting God change your heart?