

BAM! {everything's better}

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EMERIL, FOOD NETWORK, MASHED POTATOES • TASTE TEST • EVERYTHING NEEDS SALT

a little about salt...

SOMETHING MAGICAL • THERE'S BREAD, BAM! BETTER • PRESERVATION / SALARY

The three things to remember about salt: **Flavor**,
Preservation, **Value**.

ANYONE WHO HAD SALT HAD A GREAT BLESSING!

what if someone told you...

WE ALREADY FEEL PRIVILEGED • JESUS' AUDIENCE WERE LOSERS

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men."

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BEATITUDES / WHAT MADE THEM FEEL POWERLESS / CULMINATING IN SALT!
HEARING THE TEACHING OF JESUS • ILL: THEY GOT SALT FROM REEDS

Those who follow Jesus are the **w o r l d ' s**
g r e a t e s t b l e s s i n g .

GP: YOU DON'T FEEL IMPORTANT / NOT WHAT YOU DO, BUT WHO YOU ARE!

come on, really?

INSECURE? // TAUGHT TO BE HUMBLE AND TOLERANT // GOOD AROUND US
THAT'S NOT THE WAY IT ALWAYS WAS // WHERE DID IT COME FROM?

Think about all the good that there is in our world, and you will be able to trace it

back to the **w o r l d v i e w** taught by **J e s u s !**

EARLY CHRISTIANS TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN // CAN YOU IMAGINE A WORLD WITHOUT...

but something happened...

PRESERVATION AND FLAVOR WERE LINKED • THEN, SALTY ENOUGH -> SUGAR
CHRISTIANS GO ALL DIVIDED (PRESERVATIVE/FLAVOR) • E.G. PROGRESS OF INDIVIDUALISM

The world, already pretty salty, sees Christians as

o v e r s a l t i n g and not very **p a l a t a b l e**.

so what do we do?

GREATEST BLESSING? HOW? SALT IS NOT A VERB • WE HAVE SHAKEN SALT INTO WOUNDS
DO YOU SEE A PROBLEM? LIVE OUT THE JESUS SOLUTION! / DIVORCE? SHOW 'EM HOW IT'S DONE!

We **f o l l o w J e s u s** and **b l e s s** the **w o r l d !**

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JUST BECAUSE YOU KNOW JESUS YOU ARE SALTY / NOT WHAT YOU DO, BUT WHO YOU ARE!
WE MISSED ON WORD... NOT "A" BUT "THE"! THE ONLY!!!

~ THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS ARE THE ONLY SOURCE OF BLESSING FOR THE WORLD! ~

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