

# THE CHURCH WE SEE

LIVING REAL TOGETHER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEXT STEPS:

- Team Night / Leaders Lab, April 19, 7:00PM Knox Church
- Lakeland Venue will be at the Lecture Theatre on April 15 & 22
- Baptism Bash May 13 (Sign up at the Next Steps Table)

## PRAY TOGETHER

- For greater commitment to evangelizing and making disciples.
- For Mosaic's Vision of reaching 1000 people by 2019.
- For the TWO people you will reach and disciple this year.

**FOCUS:** God wants us to be influencers, and He wants us to be engaged in society.

**ICE BREAKER:** *Tell of a time when you had to grope in the dark.*

**READ:** Matthew 5:13–16; John 8:12

### REVIEW:

**1. You are salt. Romans 1:21–22.** Salt has been used throughout history to preserve food and add flavor. God calls us to preserve society from annihilation and make God taste good to others. Don't lose your ability to influence and preserve.

**2. You are light. John 9:5, 12:35–36.** Jesus called us the light of the world! He is the source, the bulb and electricity, and we are the lamp. If we don't let Him shine through us, darkness will overtake the world. God purposely places us in areas of influence to bring light to others.

### DISCUSS:

1. Read Numbers 18:19. What type of covenant is mentioned? How long is this covenant?

2. Salt is a preservative. Not only does God preserve the souls of the saints, but He also desires us to preserve our society. How can we be salt?

3. Salt makes things taste better, but it can become useless. In Matthew 5:13, the Greek word for "lose its flavor" is *moraino*. In Romans 1:22, this word is also used. How is it translated? If we lose our flavor, what type of influencers are we?

4. Salt is purified when it is close to rocks, and the water washes it. According to Ephesians 5:26, how are we washed?

5. In Matthew 5:14, Jesus says we are the light of the world. How is this possible?

*(Read John 8:12 and John 12:36.)*

6. Light is a penetrating influence. How many lights does it take to light a dark room? How can we bring light into a dark life of a friend?

7. We need to shine the light. Where has God placed you to be an influencer? How can you share the goodness of God and the Light of the world?

### As we conclude, remember the following:

- Salt is a preservative. Our presence in society is preserving our society.
- Salt makes things taste better. We need to be like flavorful salt making God taste good.
- The washing of the water over rocks purifies salt. Staying close to Jesus (the Rock) and in the Word will keep us pure.
- We are the light of the world because the Light lives in us.
- God places us in areas of influence to be a light.

**PRAY** (See the items above)