

## Sermon Discussion Questions for August 25, 2019

### Mission – Engage your World – Matthew 5:11-16

1. What key point stood out to you in the message?
  2. What does it mean to be “on mission for Jesus”? Pastor Andrew described one extreme but inspiring story of the “one-way missionary,” William Milne. What was unique about his mission? Not all are called to this extreme action, but all are called to the mission. What is the mission of the follower of Christ? What is Liberty’s mission?
  3. What does it mean to engage the world with the mission of Christ? Can we extend hope to those without Christ by retreating from the world? Why do we sometimes form “holy huddles” i.e., retreat from the culture/world. Does engaging the world mean conforming to the world?
  4. How does Matthew 5:13-16 describe a faithful follower of Christ? How does the imagery of salt and light help us to engage those needing the hope and salvation of Christ? (salt and light to offer clarity, hope, joy, truth, preservation). How much light in a dark room does it take to make a difference?
  5. Back up to Matthew 5:11-12 – does being blessed as a Christian equate with being comfortable? Why? Give examples of biblical heroes who were blessed by God but certainly “comfortable” does not characterize their journey in the Faith (Noah, Moses, Esther, etc.). Key: Can’t always “play it \_\_\_\_\_” (Safe).
  6. Does following Jesus ever make you uncomfortable? If not, are you sharing your faith with unbelievers? Dads, are you leading your family boldly with the truth of the gospel? Are you engaging new people in your neighborhood on a regular basis? Are these questions making you uncomfortable? Re-read Matt 5:12.
- Remember to pray for each other’s unique challenges and commit to pray throughout the week for one another.
  - Love others as Christ loves you.
  - Fill your mind and heart with the gospel of Christ Jesus.
  - Live out the gospel of Christ which calls for radical Love for God and Love for others.

