## WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE—PART 2 "SALT & LIGHT!"

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<u>The World's Formula</u>: Your "Doing" Determines Your Identity <u>God's Formula</u>: Your Identity Determines Your "Doing"

<u>Matthew 5:1-2</u>—"Now when Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to Him, and <u>He began to teach them.</u>"

Matthew 5:3-10—"He said, 'Blessed are the poor in spirit...Blessed are those who mourn...Blessed are the meek...Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness...Blessed are the merciful...Blessed are the pure in heart...Blessed are the peacemakers...Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness..."

<u>Matthew 5:11-12</u>—"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven…"

Matthew 5:13—"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 underfoot."

<u>Matthew 5:14</u>—"<u>You are the light of the world</u>. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."

Light = God's presence; love; goodness Darkness = sin; death; destruction; living apart from God

<u>John 8:12</u>—"...'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.""

<u>Isaiah 49:6</u>—"...I will also make you <u>a light for the Gentiles</u>, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth..."

## **The Big Idea:**

When We Lose Sight Of Where We're Supposed To Go, We End Up Where We're Not Supposed To Be

You Don't Have to Earn God's Approval—You Live From His Approval

<u>Matthew 5:15</u>—"Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, <u>let your light shine before others</u>, that they may see your good deeds and <u>glorify your Father in heaven</u>."