Unsavory Salt

Modern expressions often come from Bible

- Apple of eye
- Baptism in fire
- At my wit's end
- Salt of earth

Christians are salt: purifying, preserving effect on world

Mt.5:13-16

13: salt loses flavor; mixed w. impurities

Jebel Usdum

Southwest short of Dead Sea. Cliff, 7 miles long. 30-60 feet high.



Composed almost entirely of salt.

1. Flavor

2. Preserve



Mt.5:13-16

13: salt loses flavor; mixed w. impurities

14: light dispels darkness, ignorance, sin

15: purpose of light: uncover and use

16: who gets the praise?

"Brethren, we are drifting!"

I. Attitude Toward Bible

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Bible has been replaced by . . .

- Modernism: God gave thoughts...2 T.3
- Naturalism: know God w/o Bible...Ps.19
- Universalism: no one lost...Mt.7
- Denominationalism...Jn.17:21
- Digressivism: what individual does... church can too... Col.3:17
- Secularism: ignorance, apathy, Hos.4:6

I. Attitude Toward Bible

II. Attitude Toward Sin

- 1. Movies. Ps.101:3
 - TV: 40+ hours / week
 - Age 14 . . . 11,000 murders
 - It does affect us (Pr.4:23; Mt.15:18-20)

(Ga.5:21; Hb.5:14)

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- 2. Profane literature. Mt.5:28 –

LOOK + LUST = SIN

"I have made a covenant with my eyes; Why then should I look upon a young woman?" – Job 31:1

- 1. Movies. Ps.101:3
- 2. Profane literature. Mt.5:28 –
- 3. Mixed swimming.
 - Women at beach admit reason for immodest dress
 - Fathers know

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- Adorn: to put in order
 - □ Clothes must match character (10)
- Apparel: a lowering, letting down
 - □ Modest: seemly [Thigh-showers]
 - □ Propriety: sense of shame
 - Moderation: self-control, sound judgment. Mk.5:15

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Visitors' Dress Code (1/2)

- All pants, shorts, skirts, and dresses must be knee-length or longer
- Sleeveless shirts and dresses, tube tops, halter tops, tank tops, and shirts or dresses with spaghetti straps are prohibited
- Any clothing made of spandex, or other skin tight bicycle shorts type material is prohibited

Visitors' Dress Code (2/2)

- Cut-off shorts are prohibited
- Any clothing or other items displaying gang-related symbols or themes, or vulgar or objectionable language is prohibited
 - Rutherford County Adult Detention Center
- People notice what we wear; judge
- We have no right to leave false impressions

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- 5. Dancing. Gal.5:19, 21

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Galatians 5

¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness . . . ²¹envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries . . .

- Lewdness, lasciviousness: indecent bodily movements, unchaste handling of males and females
- Revelries: carousing; wild parties involving drinking and dancing...

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For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles — when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries.

- Drunkenness: free-flowing wine
- Revelries: carousing; wild parties involving drinking and dancing...
- <u>Drinking parties</u>: social gathering at which wine was served... Est.1:8; 6:14

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- 7. Breakdown of families. Mt.19:3-9
 - 1 Co.6:18

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- 7. Frivolous divorce. Mt.19:3-9
- 8. Dishonesty. Rv.21:8



Problems

- We cannot convert world with corrupt character
- It does converts no good if we do
- Our greatest problem: apathy