



REAL RIGHTEOUSNESS Matthew 5:13-20

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1. What insight, principle, or observation from this message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
2. Have you ever been told that you didn't measure up? Have you ever felt that way?
3. In verse 13, how does Jesus describe His audience?
4. What does Jesus mean by this?
5. What does it take to be the "salt" that Jesus is describing?
6. How would you describe your "saltiness"?
7. In verses 14 to 16, how does Jesus describe His audience?
8. What does Jesus mean by this?

9. What does it take to be the “light” that Jesus is describing?
10. How would you describe your “shining”?
11. In verse 17, what did Jesus say about His relationship with the Law?
12. How did Jesus fulfill the Law?
13. What does it mean for us that Jesus has fulfilled the Law?
14. In verse 20, what does Jesus mean by “righteousness”?
15. How is it possible that Jesus’ audience (and us) might have righteousness which exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees?
16. What does what Jesus teaches say about the kind of people God uses in His kingdom?
17. Could what Jesus teaches change how you see yourself?
18. Could what Jesus teaches change how you might look at other people?
19. If you had to pick just one insight or principle from this study to put into practice, what would it be and why?