



# SERMON NOTES

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## **IT MATTERS: Faith (II)** **Matt. 5:14-16**

### **Our faith is important - it matters!**

It matters to **God**, it matters to **us**, and most definitely, it matters to **the world**.  
It matters because we are the light of the world!

*Some observations:*

### **1. Light: SUN and FIRE**

Light in the time of Jesus is not electricity. Thomas Edison had not been born. Light was a product of the sun during the day and fire by night.

- a) Light brings illumination
- b) Light brings thriving
- c) Light brings purification

### **2. How do we make our light shine?**

Light is a revealer and if so, how do we reveal Jesus? Jesus, in Matt. 7:15-20, said by their fruit you shall know them. In other words, fruit and light are one and the same thing, based on our study, they are synonymous.

- a) For the believer light and fruit is our antidote for ambiguity (Judge me all day, but by the right metric - my fruit)
- b) For the world, light and fruit becomes the prism by which they see us and Jesus. Matt. 5:16

### **3. The power and beauty of our faith:**

- a) The beauty of our faith is not in the abundance of our possessions but in the abundance of light we reflect. (think of fireworks) Luke 12:15
- b) The power of our faith is not in the abundance of the spectacular but in the abundance of the fruit we produce (1Cor. 13:1-3)



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