

## THE TENSION OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

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**Matthew 5:13-16 (ESV)** <sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

### WE MUST BE ANCHORED IN CHRIST

#### LIVE IN THE TENSION

JESUS

moving away from the world

moving against the world

**Luke 14:34-35 (ESV)** <sup>34</sup> "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? <sup>35</sup> It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out.

**Matthew 26:50-53 (ESV)** <sup>50</sup> Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. <sup>51</sup> And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. <sup>52</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. <sup>53</sup> Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels?

**Luke 22:51 (ESV)** But Jesus answered, "No more of this!" And he touched the man's ear and healed him.

**John 17:14-19 (ESV)** <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup> I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

"All the graces that he had mentioned before should be earnestly cultivated. Their spirit, their words, and their actions should be in such strong contrast with the works of the children of darkness, that these darkened ones may be convinced of

their sin and made to feel their need, and be prepared to call earnestly upon Jesus to forgive their sins and help them to become lights also. The disciples of Christ should clearly understand that every sin, in thought, in word, in action, dims their light, and unfits them for the blessed work to which their Lord calls them. Alas, for those who for want of watchfulness and prayer thus lose their spiritual power, and leave those about them to perish in their darkness!"

– Charles Octavius Booth

### MOVING AGAINST THE WORLD AND MOVING AWAY FROM THE WORLD PRODUCES THE SAME SIN.... THE SIN OF ANGER

**Matthew 5:43-47 (ESV)** <sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' <sup>44</sup> But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup> For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?"

**Revelation 2:2-5 (NIV)** <sup>2</sup> I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. <sup>3</sup> You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary. <sup>4</sup> Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. <sup>5</sup> Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.

**1 John 4:7-12 (ESV)** <sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

### HOW TO BE SALT AND LIGHT

- STAY ANCHORED IN CHRIST: READ HIS WORD
- STAY CONNECTED TO THE CHURCH: COMMIT TO CHRISTIAN RELATIONSHIPS
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