

The Case For Christ
Week 5: Explaining the good news of Christ

Matthew 5:13-16 (NLT, pg. 802) “You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. “You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

How can I be salt and light in today’s world?

Step 1: _____.

Luke 23:34a (NLT, pg. 878) Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they don’t know what they are doing.”

James 5:16 (NLT, pg. 1022) Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.

“When I pray, coincidences happen. When I stop, they don’t.” –Mother Teresa

Step 2: Be willing to _____
about their questions or doubts.

Luke 7:22 (NLT, pg. 858) Then he told John’s disciples, “Go back to John and tell him what you have seen and heard—the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy

are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor.”

Luke 7:28a (NLT, pg. 858) I tell you, of all who have ever lived, none is greater than John.

1 Peter 3:15-16a (NLT, pg. 1025) Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way.

Step 3: I _____ daily
knowing others are watching my journey.

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Final Thought: The Case For Christ is more than just facts and historical evidence, it is also about _____. After we join the journey the real fun starts; experiencing and sharing the _____ of God.