"Exercising Influence"

(Matthew 5:13-16)

For Christians today, it has become common to retreat from the madness and disengage from the world around us. We enjoy lamenting the darkness of our world and the sinfulness that is so prevalent. Sadly, we have become content to curse the darkness. Jesus calls us to engage the world around us as salt and light.

"So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12, NIV).

"Give to Caesar what belongs to him. But everything that belongs to God must be given to God" (Matthew 22:21, NLT).

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE SALT OF THE EARTH?

Our Christian influence must be	1.
Our Christian influence must	. 2.
Our Christian influence must act as a	3.
Our Christian influence must	4.
Our Christian influence must	5.
WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE LIGHT	OF THE EARTH?
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[&]quot;I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity" (1 Timothy 2:1-2, NLT).