THE GOSPEL

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OF JESUS CHRIST

Born Of The HOLY SPIRIT

World Preserved By The Salt, The Light, And The Law.

We have been studying the Beatitudes that JESUS Taught on the Mount. Today we pick up in Matthew 5:13 "You are the Salt of the earth: but if the Salt has lost it's Savour, where with shall it be Salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. (You are the **Salt**: hal'-as = Salt, Prudence, to preserve the earth from Corruption. From the Unrestrained behavior of the fallen human nature, which is Corrupted by Sin. As evidenced in Genesis 6:11-12. 8:21. Psalms 14:2-3. Rom 8:8. Ephesians 2:1-2 "And ye hath HE Quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; wherein in times past ve walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience: (Quicken: to Give and Preserve **Life Together (In Christ and His** Church). While the people who are Lost in the 'course of the world, are Spiritually dead in trespasses and sins, still under the evil influence of the Devil, the prince (chief ruler) of all those still disobedient to GOD,

and the Gospel of JESUS. The

HOLY SPIRIT Filled Christian is the Preservative of the World. We are, in fact, Because of the indwelling HOLY SPIRIT, All that Preserves the whole World from going Anti-Christ. That spirit is already working in the disbelieving, disobedient).

But what if the Salt loses it's Savour: what if the Prudent become careless & foolish? What if the Christian Begins Listening To The Constant Rain Water Of The **World's Opinions. Rain Water** Can Dilute Your Salt, And Cause It To Loose It's Savour. Slowly, The World Is Wearing Your Saltiness Down. That way they hope to make You Think like them, and Lay Aside Your Christian Teachings. Making You Act like Simpletons Playing in the Mud of the World's Sins? Allowing Your **Lower Nature To Rule Over Your** lives, instead of Christ? Then we Loose our Power of Christian Influence, we lose Savor, that's the watered down US Spelling of Savour, Christ's Word Spoken).

Matt 5:14 "Ye are the Light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. (You Are The Light: phos = to shine and make manifest by rays of Light. Helping others to see their way to GOD. The Church that Christ would Build; would be the City on the Hill that Cannot be Hid. (or kept secret).

5:15 "Neither do men Light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it gives Light unto all that are in the House. (Both as a Christian and As a Church we are kept on a lampstand and hill, to give Light: lam'-po = to Radiate Brilliancy. The Brilliancy of

JESUS Christ's Light. But, some have been Offended while coming to Church. Perhaps it was by some member, or elder, or pastor. **JESUS** Taught us what to do in such cases. See... Matthew 18:15 "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou has gained thy **brother**. (Christ knew that people would sometimes trespass against people, therefore **HE** Gave Clear Instructions On How To Work Through a **Trespass**: ham-artan'-o = to miss the mark, err, especially a moral sin, fault, offense, trespass. First you should determine if this person is a Brother or Sister, Born Again from the

Womb of the HOLY SPIRIT, And in the Church Family. Or just a visitor to the Church, preying. If you know they are **Christians** then you should have the Confidence to go to them alone and tell them their Trespass against you. If he or she hears you, understands, and repents, fellowship can be restored between you, And it does not separate any in the Church. And you have **Gained** a Brother or Sister, instead of Loosing them. This way, the **Church** is Not Blamed.

If we Dis-obey **Christ**, and take the easy way out, by just hiding away from the person who offended us, or just Blame them, and Avoid the **Church**, then we Sin.

And while we are hiding away from the **Church**, the Devil has us in his sights, as a Stray from the **Flock**.

LETS CONTINUE WITH JESUS INSTRUCTIONS TO US:

Matt 18:16 "But if he (or she) will **Not** Hear thee, then take with thee One or Two more, That in the mouth of Two or Three Witnesses every word may be established. (So this is Clear, first discuss it between you and the one who trespassed, to give them a chance to make

things right. If they will Not hear you out, then return to the offender with 2 or 3 others from the Church; and see if the offender will listen to you, among listening witnesses.

Matt 18:17 "And if he (or she) shall neglect to hear them, <u>Tell It To The Church</u>: but if he (or she) Neglect to Hear the **Church**, let him (or her) be unto thee as the heathen and publican.

THE CHURCH IS CHRIST'S LIGHTHOUSE TO THE WORLD:

As more Christians neglect going to the House, the Assembling of the Church; they are often Not Filling their lamp with the Oil of The HOLY SPIR-IT, and their light and influence is growing weaker out in the world. They are growing more lonely. And the devil loves to attack the Christian who is all alone in his world. Like Individual stones scattered all around that do not make up a City on a hill, or a **House for GOD.**

One Christian alone is not much of a Witness, not in a Legal way. It takes at least 2. And a 3 fold Cord is not quickly broken. The Christian needs to learn about the Valley Of Dry Bones that (Ezekiel 37:1-14) describes so eloquently. Apart from your Church Attendance you can dry up Spiritually, because you may not have other

Christians surrounding you to Encourage you, and stir you up to Love and Good Works. This Love and Good **Works, are your Fruitfulness** in the House; in the Church **Christ** is Still Building. Find your place in a **Church**, with a Pastor who is Teaching the Words of Christ. And then Listen, Understand, And Follow What JESUS Christ Says. Don't go your own way. Some people would ra-

ther follow their own heart. But the heart can go way-ward from Christ, and disobey His Words.

Now back to Matthew 5:16 "Let Your Light So **Shine Before Men, That They May See Your Good Works, And Glorify Your FATHER Which Is In Heaven.** (in the Church we can really Shine in the presence of people who will see your **Good Works** and Glorify GOD Your FA-THER In Heaven. If we hide our light at home, under a bushel of personal troubles, no one sees your Light, your Works: ergon = to work, toil, as an effort or occupation. of Goodness: = Virtue. We are all priests in Christ's Church. And we all have Works to do there, even on Sunday.

As JESUS Said, The FATHER
Works unto now, and I work.

-John 5:17. Christians Assume that GOD made the
Sabbath so HE Could Rest.
No, GOD Does Not Need Rest.
The Jews Celebrate Saturday
as the Sabbath. But that did
Not prevent JESUS from
doing His Good Works.
And Sunday is the First
day of the week).

So Christians Can See this we go to Mark 16:9-10 "And when the (Jewish) Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had brought sweet spices, that they might FINISHED: And HE Bowed come to anoint Him. And the First Day of the week, they came unto the Sepulchre at the rising of the sun. 16:9 "Now when JESUS Was Risen Early The First day of the week...(Because JESUS was risen on the First day of the week, Christians worship in Church, on the First day of the week).

Back to Matt 5:17 "Think
Not that I am come to destroy the Law, or the
Prophets: I Am Not come
to destroy, But To <u>FULFIL</u>.
(The religious rulers thought
JESUS was destroying: loosening down, disintegrating.
the Law of GOD, handed
down by Moses.

But As SON Of GOD, HE Was Actually Revealing the Full Depth Of Meaning in it, And Fulfilling It. Fulfil: pleroo, play-ro'-o = Satisfy. By taking Sin, the breaking of the Law, and it's Punishment on Himself, to His death on the Cross).

Matt 5:18 "For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the Law, till all be fulfilled: ginomai, ghin'-omahee =be brought to pass, be Finished. John 19:30 "When **JESUS** therefore had received the vinegar, HE Said, "IT IS **HIS Head, And Gave Up The** Spirit. But instead of Receiving Christ, sinners want to break and toss... the 10 Commandment Laws of GOD, but that does not free them from the Holy Law. Now back to... Matt 5:19 "Whosoever therefore shall **Break** One of these least Commandments, and shall <u>teach men so</u>, he shall be called <u>least in the</u> Kingdom of Heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called Great in the Kingdom of Heaven. (This reminds me of when Moses brought the 10 Commandments down to his people. They were all committing Sin, so Moses, in anger, **Broke the Stone Plates...**

GOD had Written the 10 **Commandments on. (See** Exodus 32:19). it is still Sin and Anger that drive people to remove and break the 10 Commandments of GOD. Just because JESUS Kept And Fulfilled All of GOD's **Commandments**, it does not give Christians permission to break them, or even to refrain keeping, and teaching them in the Church to prevent lawlessness in the house).

5:20 "For I say unto you, That unless your right-eousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall in no case enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. (man's self right-eousness would never perfect them for Heaven).

5:21-22 "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the Judgment:
(kill: phoneuo, fon-yoo'-o from phoneus; to be a murderer to kill, do murder (for yourself or another), slay.

But I Say unto you, That whosoever is Angry with his brother (or sister)...

without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the Council: But whosoever shall say, Thou Fool, shall be in danger of Hell Fire. (Shall be in danger: enochos, en'-okh-os = Liable to penalty, guilty, subject to. Of the Judgment: krisis, kree'-sis = decision by Tribunal of Divine Law, and may include accusation, condemnation, damnation, judgment. The Final Judgment Is At The GREAT WHITE THRONE. —Revelation 20:11-15. Angry: orgizo, or-gid'-zo = enrage, or become exasperated. Be wroth, enraged. With his brother: adelphos = brother of the womb of the HOLY SPIRIT. A Christian brother or sister. Without a cause: reason. And if you have a reason to be angry, You go to him/ her/and work it out. Raca: rhaka, rhak-ah' = O empty one, thou worthless one. Contempt for the head. No Christian brother or sister is empty or worthless, because Christ is their head. so don't vilify, disparage, denigrate or defame them, or the HOLY SPIR-IT will Correct you. In danger of the Council: synedrion, soon-ed'-ree-on = a joint session, with the Jewish Sanhedrim. But whosoever shall say thou <u>Fool</u>: mo-ros' = dull. Contempt for heart/character. Name calling a Christian is not allowed, and definitely Not a Christian thing to do. No Christian should be called a <u>Fool</u>, since they have Received JESUS Christ if you owe one, so it & the HOLY SPIRIT. **Danger of Hell Fire: Everlast**ing Burning. Those who Maltreat Christians need to know about the Divine and Fiery Penalty of Hell, Because The **HOLY GOD Sees All.** Matt 5:23-24 "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the Altar, and there remember that thy Brother has ought

against thee; Leave there thy gift before the Altar, and go thy way; First Be Reconciled to thy Brother, and then come and Offer thy Gift. (The people outside the Church, still unconverted, may still have ought against you. But **Keep Accounts Settled in** the Family, the Church).

5:25-26 "Agree with thine adversary quickly, while you are in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I Say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out of there, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing: (equal to two mites).

(In other words, give your attention fully to the person, before they become your Adversary, even make a pay back, don't escalate into a bigger issue. And officers and judges, and jail time become involved. It's just common sense. Fix things while they are fixable).

And No Christian, Thankful for their own forgiveness from **JESUS Christ**, ought to side with the Devil to become Another Christians Adversary. Do **Your Homework, Work** Things Out. And Don't **Knit-Pick in your mind** over minor things, you may be making into major things. Even Christians are still human beings and dealing with their lower human nature, just like you.

GRACE Must Always Overcome to the point that we do not repay evil with evil. If JESUS Repaid The World, for Evil, None of us would be alive today. **But Grace** is Not License to Offend!