

HOW ARE THE BLESSED TO BEHAVE IN THE MIDST OF AN UNGODLY WORLD? Part 2

Matthew 5:14-16

I. UNDERSTAND TRUE BELIEVERS ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD: Our right behavior in Christ is the means in which a sin corrupt world will see His righteousness (14a)

A. Jesus declares believers are **the light of the world** (14a)

B. What does this analogy mean?

1. The metaphor of light in Scripture applied to Christ and His people (various passages)

2. What is the world? (various passages)

II. RECOGNIZE OUR POSITION AND PURPOSE IN THE WORLD: If we act inconsistently with our true identity, we are completely missing His purpose for us (14b-15)

A. An illustration to point out God has placed you in a position that cannot be concealed: A city on a hill cannot be hidden (14b)

B. An Illustration that reveals your purpose: Lamps are lit so that they will shine light (15)

III. THEREFORE SHINE BEFORE MEN SO THAT GOD IS GLORIFIED (16)