## What is the sermon you preach? 10-19-14AM

In Matthew 5:13-16, Jesus called all believers to be the "salt of the earth", the "light of the world". What does this mean? Perhaps it refers to the sermon that you preach.

Who is called to preach?

Apostles – Matthew 28:19-20 Preachers – 2 Timothy 4:2-5 Christians – Matthew 5:13-16 - ALL Christians preach

How are Christians to preach?

Not all can speak – I Corinthians 12 Not all have maturity – Galatians 6:1

2 Corinthians 3:2-3You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart.

1 Peter 2:12 Having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation. 1 Peter 3:1-2 Wives, likewise, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives, when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by fear.

Is your life a Good sermon?

- 1. That above all things you choose God
- 2. That the church is of great importance to you
- 3. That you take your commitment to God seriously

Is your life a Bad Sermons

- 1. That whatever you do is okay with God?
- 2. That it is fine to be in truth and not in truth?
- 3. That Christianity can be only one part of who you are

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day. I'd rather one walk with me than merely show the way. I can soon learn how to do it if you let me see it done. I see your hands in action if the tongue too fast may run. All lectures you deliver may be very wise and true, But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do. Though I might not understand the fine advice you give. There is no misunderstanding how you act and live.

- Edgar Guest