

C. Get Compassion! "Let your good deeds shine out for all to see..."

"Do you want to stand out? Then step down. Be a servant."
— Matthew 23:11



The Power of Influence

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Memory Verse

(Jesus) "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in

"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."

Matthew 5:13-16 (NLT)

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize Matthew 5:16.
- Read the story of David in 1 Samuel chapters 16 and 17.
- Commit to attend the next 5 weeks of the "BECOMING A PERSON OF INFLUENCE" series.
- Sign up today for information on joining a Life Group.
- Surrender my life to the Lord Jesus Christ and pray with one of the pastors.

THREE TRUTHS ABOUT MY INFLUENCE

Truth #1. God created me to be a

"You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world."

— Matthew 5:13,14

Join us next Sunday as we continue
"BECOMING A PERSON OF INFLUENCE"
with a message titled *"Lead Myself"*

THREE TRUTHS ABOUT MY INFLUENCE

Psalm 138:8a "The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me."

Psalm 139:16 "You saw me before I was born and scheduled every day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in your book!"

Acts 17:26 "From one man He made every nation,...and He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live."

**My Sphere of Influence:
(family, friends, co-workers, etc.)**

Truth #2. You Choose the

Jesus taught us that there are three types of influence:

A. Negative Influence

"But it takes only one wrong person among you to infect all the others

a little yeast spreads quickly through the whole batch of dough!"

B. Neutral Influence

"No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket."

- Matthew 5:15

C. Positive Influence

"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."

- Matthew 5:16

Truth #3: God is calling you to increase your influence by

You can increase your influence in three ways:

A. Get involved! "You are the salt of the earth."

B. Get Knowledge! "You are the light of the world."

"Intelligent people are always open to new ideas.

In fact, they look for them." - Proverbs 18:15

"How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver!" — Proverbs 16:16