

CHILDREN BROCHURE

MORAVIAN CHURCH – BARBADOS CONFERENCE Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.

S. – Seek & Submit H. – Hear & Heed I. – Imagine & Insight F. – Focus & Function T. – Totally Transformed

Age: 13 yrs. & Over

FOCUS

October 11 - Be Salt

Scripture:

Let us sing together:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpluV5dLeNA

Memory Verse:

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But suppose the salt loses its saltiness. How can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything. It will be thrown out. People will walk all over it. *Matthew 5:13 NIRV*

Reading from the Bible: (*Read with me*)

2 Kings 2: 18 – 22. NIRV

Elisha Makes Jericho's Water Pure

18 So they returned to Elisha. He was staying in Jericho. Elisha said to them, "Didn't I tell you not to go?"

19 The people of Jericho said to Elisha, "Look. This town has a good location. You can see that for yourself. But the spring of water here is bad. So the land doesn't produce anything."

20 "Bring me a new bowl," Elisha said. "Put some salt in it." So they brought it to him.

21 Then he went out to the spring. He threw the salt into it. He told the people, "The Lord says, 'I have made this water pure. It will never cause death again. It will never keep the land from producing crops again.'" 22 The water has stayed pure to this day. That's what Elisha had said would happen.

Message:

Let's talk about it:

Golden apples, dunks, whether ripe or green, taste really good with a little. Salt. O yes. Can you think of other fruits that you can add salt before eating them? What about popcorn, or french fries, or peanuts? They must have salt for you to enjoy them. Many foods really taste much better with a little salt. Not too much salt. Just a pinch of salt makes a big difference to the flavour.

Not only that, but salt has some amazing properties. Before we had refrigeration, salt was used as a preservative. Salt kept things fresh. I am sure that your parents will cook pigtails in their soup. Salt is even used to spread on snowy roads, to keep them from being slippery. Salt was used as currency, just like gold. In fact, there was a time when salt was referred to as 'white gold'. Even in Old Testament times, salt was used for purification, as we read in the scripture passage. So what does that have to do with Jesus?

In our lesson today, Jesus told His disciples, "You are the salt of the earth." Remember that Jesus often used stories (parables) or comparisons to explain His teachings. In today's lesson Jesus is describing us as salt, the salt of the earth. But what do you think He means? Jesus simply wants us to do whatever we can to improve the quality of life of those around us. So you ask, "How can we do that?" We can do so by showing that having Jesus in our lives can make quite a difference. Having Jesus in our lives is like having salt in our food.

As Christians, we want to have an impact on other people, flavouring them, saving them, and changing the world. There is a lot of hatred in our world. Why do we fight? Why do we tell lies? Why do we try to harm each other? Why do we steal from each other? We can help to reduce the hatred and bitterness of those around us by being the salt that Jesus wants us to be. Show love and kindness to everyone we meet and encourage our friends to do the same. We are called to change things in the world and point others to the teaching of Jesus. We can impact the world for Christ in amazing ways when we follow Him. Be ambassadors for Jesus, and help to bring peace to our world.

Prayer for becoming the salt of the earth:

Father, our prayer is that we may be the salt of the earth by showing the love of Jesus in all that we do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Activity:

Use the following link and read more about the history of salt and why it is so important.

https://www.homestead.org/homesteading-history/history-of-salt/#:~:text

(Answers from last week)

Miriam

	А	В
1	TOHBRER	BROTHER
2	VEILET	LEVITE
3	RASYLVE	SLAVERY
4	IAMIMR	MIRIAM
5	EAKBTS	BASKET
6	OTLYLAY	LOYALTY
7	PARHAOH	PHARAOH
8	DHICL	CHILD
9	OMSTNH	MONTHS
10	OTMHRE	MOTHER
11	RWETA	WATER
12	AEDTNANTT	ATTENDANT
13	SREUN	NURSE
14	RRVEI	RIVER
15	MALEFE	FEMALE
16	FITAH	FAITH
17	HTUEGADR	DAUGHTER
18	WMONA	WOMAN