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WB 9th February Collective Worship

*But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another*
1 John 1:7



In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit



If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another.

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Our School Prayer

LORD, make me a better person, more considerate to others, more honest with myself, more faithful to you. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life, and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.

St Joseph – Pray for us

St Teresa – Pray for us



How can we open to hear what our vocation is this week? How can we start working towards it?

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

**WE
GATHER**



**WE
LISTEN**



The Lord was not in the wind... not in the earthquake... not in the fire... and after the fire came a gentle whisper.

1 Kings 19:11–12

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Use the Quiet Mind Script (on next slide and in resources) to help pupils enter a prayerful time of silence.

BE STILL



- What kind of person do I want to become?
- What gifts or strengths do I notice in myself?
- What might God be inviting me to grow into?

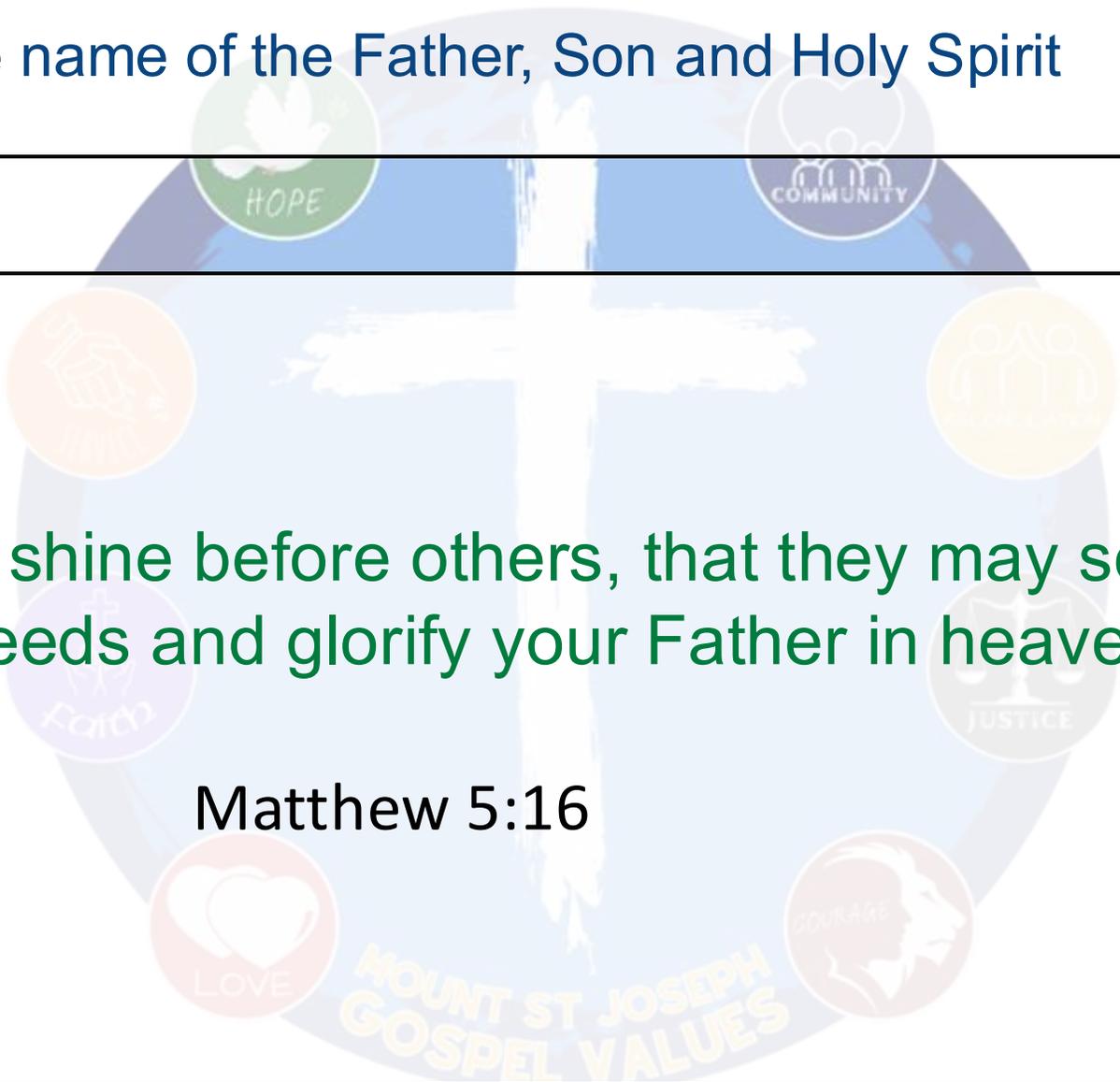


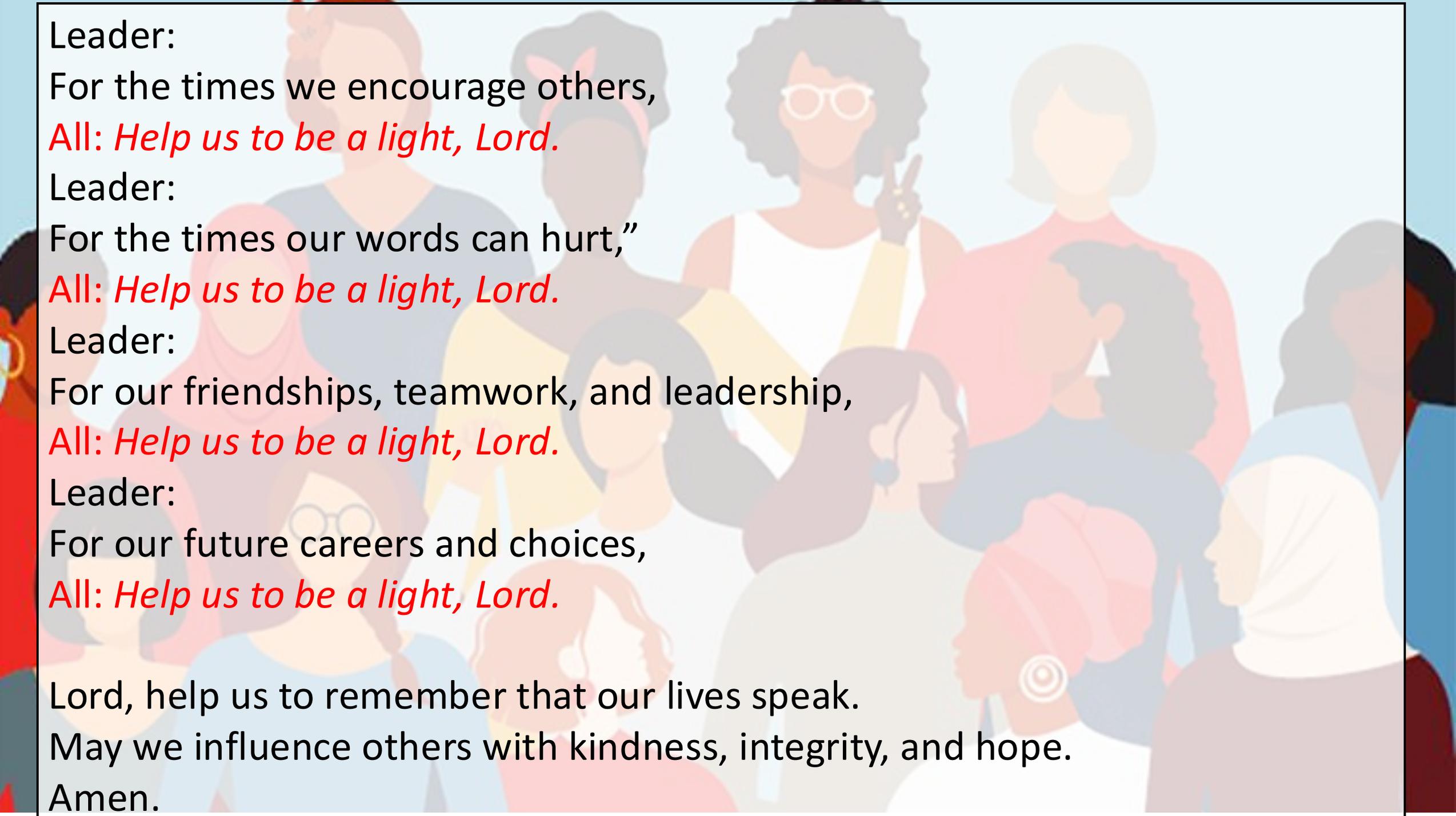
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Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven

Matthew 5:16





Leader:

For the times we encourage others,

All: Help us to be a light, Lord.

Leader:

For the times our words can hurt,”

All: Help us to be a light, Lord.

Leader:

For our friendships, teamwork, and leadership,

All: Help us to be a light, Lord.

Leader:

For our future careers and choices,

All: Help us to be a light, Lord.

Lord, help us to remember that our lives speak.

May we influence others with kindness, integrity, and hope.

Amen.

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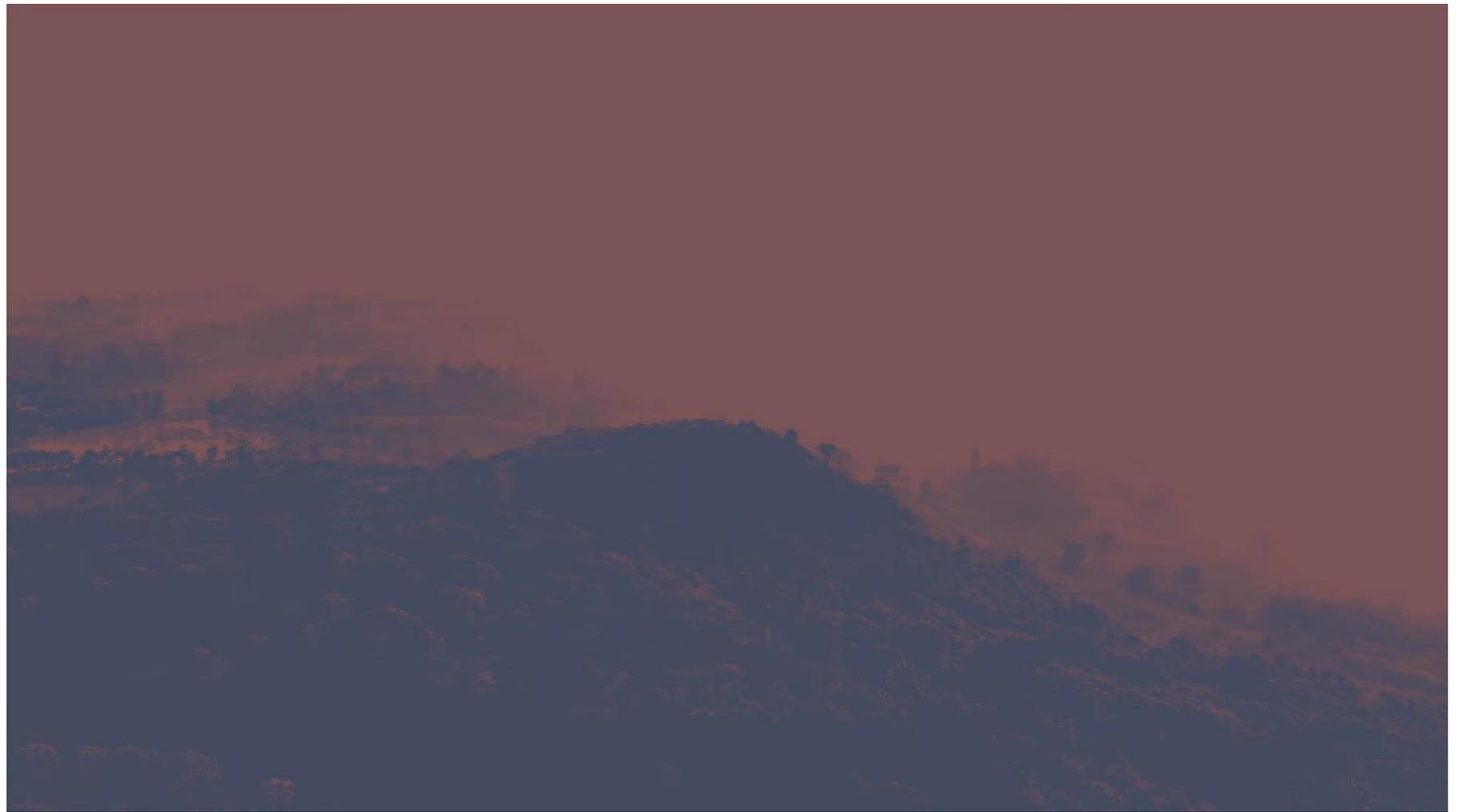
Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Romans 12:12

Who has influenced the way you see your future?

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What does it
meant to be
conformed to
this world?
How is
following God
different?



*Lord, help us to notice the voices that shape us.
Give us wisdom to choose influences that help us grow
in kindness, courage, and purpose.
Amen*



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In the same way,
let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good
works and give glory to your
Father who is in heaven.'

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16



“You are like salt for the whole human race. But if salt loses its saltiness, there is no way to make it salty again. It has become worthless, so it is thrown out and people trample on it.

You are like light for the whole world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bowl; instead it is put on the lampstand, where it gives light for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.”

(Good News Translation)

Thinking about the Gospel and this week's theme

We are both salt and light for the world! In some ways these are quite different things, but in other ways they are very similar. Both have a huge influence on the world.

We can't usually see the salt that is in our food, but salt is essential in cooking – even in some sweet food! In Jesus' time when there were no fridges, so salt was also very useful for preserving meat and fish, making it possible to eat even when food was scarce. Interestingly the word 'salary' comes from the Latin word for salt, because ancient Roman soldiers were paid in salt which was highly prized. Most of us don't like the taste of salt on its own, but when used well it makes everything taste wonderful. However wonderful salt is, it is no use unless it's put into food and used. We need to be used too. What difference will we make? How will our good deeds influence others?

Light is perhaps more obviously good and more obvious! Without light, when it's dark, we can't see what's going on. In Jesus' time, the dark would also have been cold too. Light makes it possible to see people, to do any work that is necessary and just move around easily without hurting ourselves. It's much safer moving around, inside or outside, in the light. While salt makes a difference without us seeing it, there is no way light can be hidden. We can be proud if people notice we are good and kind. Jesus says our good deeds will show people how good God is.

How will our good actions today help to share love with the people around us, so they come to know how much God loves them?



You call us to be salt and light in the world.
Help us to see the influence we have
in our words, our actions, and our choices.

When it is easier to fit in,
give us the courage to stand for what is right.
When others feel unseen or unheard,
help us to notice and to care.

May our presence bring kindness,
our voices bring encouragement,
and our actions reflect your love.

Guide us as we think about our futures and our careers,
so that whatever path we follow,
we may use our gifts to serve others
and to make the world a little brighter.