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Message Outline

- The Salt Principle
- What is Salt
- The two ways salt fails



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The Salt Principle

- Do actions that cause the least evil when dealing with complex actions whose consequences are mixed – i.e. voting
- Salting the culture ends when it makes no significant difference



What is Salt

- Salt acts as a Preservative to restrain rot (evil)
- The Holy Spirit restrains evil
- The Word Corrects
- Spirit-filled people of the word are the salt of the earth



The Holy Spirit as Salt

John 16:8–11 NKJV And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: (9) of sin, because they do not believe in Me; (10) of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; (11) of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.



The Word as Salt

2 Timothy 3:16–17 NKJV All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, (17) that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.



Two Ways Salt Fails

- Salt loses its flavor – God's people forfeit their spiritual treasure
- The meat eventually rots anyway
- Great Awakenings can reset this.



Salt Loses its Flavor

Romans 2:21–25 NKJV You, therefore, who teach another, do you not teach yourself? You who preach that a man should not steal, do you steal? (22) You who say, "Do not commit adultery," do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples?...



Salt Loses its Flavor

Romans 2:21-25 NKJV...(23) You who make your boast in the law, do you dishonor God through breaking the law?
(24) For "THE NAME OF GOD IS BLASPHEMED AMONG THE GENTILES BECAUSE OF YOU," as it is written....



Salt Loses its Flavor

Romans 2:21–25 NKJV ... (25) For
circumcision is indeed profitable if you
keep the law; but if you are a breaker of the
law, your circumcision has become
uncircumcision.



The Meat Eventually Rots Anyway

Genesis 15:15–16 NKJV Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. (16) But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."



The Meat Eventually Rots Anyway

Gen 6:3 And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."



The Meat Eventually Rots Anyway

Romans 1:18–32 NKJV For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness... (24) Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness... (26) For this reason God gave them up to vile passions... (28) And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind,



Great Awakenings Can Reset This

- The Book of Judges
- Nehemiah Revival
- Modern Revivals



Great Awakenings Can Reset This

Nehemiah, 8:1–8 NKJV Now all the people gathered together as one man in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate; and they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded Israel. (2) So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly of men and women and all who could hear with understanding on the first day of the seventh month....



Great Awakenings Can Reset This

Nehemiah 8:1–8 NKJV ...(3) Then he read from it in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate from morning until midday, before the men and women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law...



Great Awakenings Can Reset This

Nehemiah 8:1–8 NKJV ...(4) So Ezra the scribe stood on a platform of wood which they had made for the purpose; and beside him, at his right hand, stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Urijah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah; and at his left hand Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam...



Great Awakenings Can Reset This

Nehemiah 8:1–8 NKJV ... (5) And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. (6) And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. Then all the people answered, "Amen, Amen!" while lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground...



Expository Preaching of the Word

Nehemiah, 8:1–8 NKJV ...(7) Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, helped the people to understand the Law; and the people stood in their place. (8) So they read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and they gave the sense, and helped them to understand the reading.



Repentance

Nehemiah 9:1–3 NKJV Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, in sackcloth, and with dust on their heads. (2) Then those of Israelite lineage separated themselves from all foreigners; and they stood and confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers.



Seeking God in the Word and Worship

Nehemiah 9:1–3 NKJV...(3) And they stood up in their place and read from the Book of the Law of the LORD their God for one-fourth of the day; and for another fourth they confessed and worshiped the LORD their God.



The Final End of the Ministry of Salt

2 Thessalonians 2:9–11 NKJV The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, (10) and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. (11) And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,



Trump Heralds the American Apocalypse

- Return to a Christian Ethos, or?
- The Alt-Right, or?
- The Woke Left, or?
- The Alt-Left (Islamist Socialism???)?



Is Either of These Happen, Salt Has Ended

Neo-Nazi Vs "Democratic" Socialism

or

Islamismo-Nazi vs Islamismo-Socialism



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