

# IMCUNITED

## PURSUING GOSPEL UNITY

### July 16 – Gospel Impact

Core Value: We believe we are here to have a cultural impact. The Gospel compels us to have hope, love others, and transform our town.

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-16, Ephesians 2:8-9

### Open

Who has had an impact on your life? Parents? Mentors? Friends?

What did they do to have an impact in your life?

On Sunday, we talked about having a Gospel impact is an important part of our faith. Together let's explore the words of Jesus about our call to have a Gospel impact in the lives of others.

### Reflect

Read Matthew 5:1-16.

In Matthew 5:1-12, Jesus shares what we commonly call the Beatitudes, which are examples of the difference in character of those who follow Jesus. How do these character qualities shape our understanding of what it means to be salt and light?

What are the characteristics of salt and light that helps illustrate what kind of impact Christians are to have? (example: Saltiness makes people thirst for more. Our impact in others lives should help others thirst to know what is different about us.)

### Apply

Who (outside of your family) has God put in your life to have an impact on?

How can you BLESS them? (Review the BLESS acronym. Ask people to be specific about how they can bless the people they mentioned above.)

- BEGIN with Prayer
- LISTEN
- EAT
- SERVE
- STORY

In smaller groups, take time to pray for the people mentioned that God has put in your life to have an impact on.