



Unleashed is a Verb

Icebreaker Question: What's one thing you've learned this year?

Opening Question: Looking back to last week's sermon and scripture... How did you live differently or practice what we talked about in your life this week? What did you do and how did it go?

This Week's Scriptures:

Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Scripture Reflection Questions: Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What stands out in this passage?
- What do we learn about God, his character, what matters to him, his priorities?
- What do we learn about people or ourselves in particular?

Sermon Reflection Questions: Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Where have you been playing it safe in your life?
- What do the metaphors Jesus uses in this passage mean to you and how might Jesus be calling you to live unleashed as salt and light?

Closing Question and Application: Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you to apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?

Closing group prayer: Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Take the challenging parts of your conversation to Jesus. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.