



Salt Life The Power of Influence

Announcements

Women's Night – Tuesday, April 29th at 7:00 pm. Speaker Sheila Walsh will be sharing an encouraging word with the ladies of Church of the King. Make plans to attend and bring a friend.

Create Your Manhood Plan – Men, come learn how to create you a plan that will help you become the man God has called you to be. This event takes place May 6th at 7:00 pm and May 7th at 6:30 am (choose which time works best for you). Email Smallgroups@churchoftheking.com for more information.

Pathway

101 Starting Point – Sunday, May 4th at 5:00 pm at all campuses. 101 Starting Point is the first step in Pathway. Find out how you can find your place at Church of the King by learning about the vision and mission of the church.

201 Dream Team Orientation – Sunday, May 11th at 5:00 pm at all campuses. 201 Dream Team Orientation is the second step in Pathway and your place to find a great place to serve at Church of the King.

Warm-up

What were some of the most popular fads when you were growing up?

Fads become popular because people of influence begin to promote them. God has commissioned his followers, Christians, to be influencers in our culture. Today we are going to be discussing the influential qualities we are called to possess.

Word and Application

Read Matthew 5:13-16. What is the message Jesus is trying to give to his disciples through the teaching in these verses?

Jesus was saying to the Disciples, and is saying to believers today, that just as salt impacts its environment, we are called to influence people in our world.

Influence: the power to change or affect someone or something.

Read Mark 10:43 to discover Jesus' view of how we should grow in influence.

How does this differ from how most people think influence is developed?

Read Acts 1:8 and discover Jesus' final words to his disciples before he went back to Heaven.

The power that Jesus was talking about had the purpose of influencing people with the love and power of God – We are called to be people of influence.

Read 1 Timothy 4:12. This verse speaks of our ability to influence when we set a godly example. How well do you influence others by setting a good example? How can you improve in this area?

Read Colossians 4:6 and Ephesians 4:15. These verses tell us we are to influence others with our words. How can you improve how you use your words to encourage and influence others? What will be your impact if you grow in your ability to encourage others?

Read Matthew 5:13-16 again. We are called to be *"salt and light"* to a world that needs the love of God. What is one thing you can do this week to increase your impact on your world?

Prayer

Pray for everyone in your small group to become the people of influence God has called us to be. Also, take time to ask for specific prayer requests from those in your small group.