## **GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION**

# CONNECT

What's worse: too salty or not salty enough?

Do you prefer a room that's bright or one dimly lit? Why?

## LEARN & APPLY

### Read Matthew 5:13.

- When you think of salt do you have positive or negative reactions? How many different uses of salt can you think of? List them.
- What do you think Jesus means when he calls us to be the salt of the earth?

#### Read Matthew 5:14-16.

- What does light do in our lives? Why do we need light?
- What would make us want to hide a light? Why might we feel tempted to hide our faith in Jesus (which brings spiritual light into our lives) from other people?
- Why might we be tempted to hide our good deeds from other people?
- Can you think of a time when seeing someone else do a good deed because of their faith in Jesus encouraged your faith in Jesus?
- Being a light is meant to be for the purpose of helping people see
  what truly matters. In this world, as it is today, what do you think might
  impact people who don't believe in Jesus to start to wonder if there is
  something to this Christianity thing? What kind of witness to Jesus shines
  the brightest with people you know?

## PRAY

Lord, teach us to love you out loud with our lives. Make our faith salty, and bright! Amen.