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## Viewpoints

*Observing events in our modern world from the viewpoint of our ascended Savior.*

### Salt's Healing Properties - April 29, 2015

*The majority of people are spiritually suffocating. We're their healing salt.*

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Got allergies, like me? Do they cause you to wheeze when you exercise? And have you ever tasted the salt of the ocean wafting in the air? I always felt more energized when running at the beach or swimming in the ocean. Now I know why. There's evidence that salty air is "energizing" especially for those suffering from allergies or asthma.

There's an 800-year-old salt mine in Poland, retrofitted to look and feel like a fashionable day spa. And it's reputed to offer remarkable help for asthmatics who breathe in air that's more salty than the beach. But you don't have to travel to the Old World to find such treatment, because salt therapy is coming here to America. Recently the news in Austin, TX featured the opening of a "salt center" that promises help for those suffering from allergies.

I know that the ancient world valued salt for its ability to preserve food, especially meat. But could Jesus have had salt's asthmatic-healing properties in mind when he declared to his followers: "You are the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13)? After all, as the Almighty Creator compressed into the carpenter-turned-teacher, Jesus did have a hand in formulating the chemical properties of NaCl.

Notice what Jesus did not say to believers. He did not say: you could be the salt of the earth. He made a declaration. He stated as a fact, "This is what you are when you trust in me: you ARE the salt of the earth."

The majority of the world is spiritually suffocating-- suffocating from the allergens and pollution of the common but poisoned idea that good works can make us right with God. In spite of the Bible's declaration that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23) the majority still hope that God will receive them if they're morally superior to the worst of society. The fact is, without Jesus, I and you and everyone will end up with the worst of society in the same dreadful place, if we don't trust in Jesus as the one who paid our sin. But this exclusivity of Jesus Christ is foreign to a world wheezing and choking from political correctness\* and its cousin, multiculturalism. So when a Christian speaks about Jesus being the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, at first this may be a turn-off.

But, the more people are exposed to the message of how Jesus suffered for our sins at the cross, the more the air clears. The more people see you and I breathing easy in a spiritual

environment salted with the promises of Jesus, the more others will be moved by God to want what makes us breathe easy. And God, through us, extends his saving work to others.

Here is your true value and importance, as measured by God: you are the salt of the earth! This good news is more energizing than taking a vacation beside the ocean.

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[Salt therapy arrives in Austin](#) @ KVUE.com

\* For a modern definition of political correctness: [Why Did British Police Ignore Pakistani Gangs Abusing 1,400 Rotherham Children?](#) (Warning: mature content)

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*Blessings to you and your loved ones, Pastor Mike Nitz*

