

## WORD OF THE WEEK

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Salt was commonly used among the Jews for seasoning, as a fertilizer to bring life, for open wounds to heal and preserve life, for a disinfectant to destroy dunghoops and refuse. If the believers' message to the world does not cause him to look like a fool or "moron" from the perspective of the unbeliever, then he is "good for nothing". The true believer must deny himself and be willing to look foolish if he is to live of the truth. Jesus said, "Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you and cast out your name as evil, for the son of mans sake. If we are to preserve life and destroy death, we must be willing to be taunted and to look like a fool. Paul said, "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." (1 Cor. 1:21)

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