

Salty Discipleship

Mark 9.38-50

seeking greatness vs 33-34

→ **despising others v38**

quality control, jealousy, elitism

1. Be Ready to Recognise the Good in Other Christians, vs 38-40

➤ **the error of elitism v38**

we're the chosen ones -

others are wrong Num 11.27

➤ **spot evidence of fruitfulness v39**

the sign of true faith Acts 19.13-17

➤ **extend welcome to co-workers v40**

one with us, even if not one of us

Phil 1.12-18; Jude 3

2. Be Rewarded for Helping Other Christians, v41

➤ **small gestures are signs of our
love for Christ Mat 25.31-40**

3. Be Responsible towards

Young Christians, v42

- **'little ones' are impressionable**
welcome warmly v36-37; 10.13-16
never mislead by words, actions

4. Be Ruthless with own Sins, v43-48

- **the seriousness of sin**
our eternal destiny is at stake
cut out actions v43, locations v45,
preoccupations v47
- **the solemn reality of hell**
a place of decay, destruction
2 Ki 23.10; Is 66.23-24

5. Be the Real Deal, v49-50

- **be pure v49; Lev 2.13; Num 18.19**
committed to Christ Rom 12.1
purity through pain 1 Pet 1.6-7
- **be distinctive v50**
flavour society, stop its rot
- **be at peace v50; Jas 3.16-4.3**