

“Salt or Fresh?”

Bethel



GROWING together as we
WORSHIP, LOVE & SERVE.



Balancing Christianity & Halloween

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Matthew 7:12



"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

**Jesus STARTS with a
relational message,
and ENDS with a
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So...

1. How can we have influence in our world?
2. How can we lose that influence?
3. How can we be a channel of light to a dark world?
4. How can we fail to be a light of God's grace?
5. When our light shines, who gets the credit?

What we know for sure...



1. Halloween has origins in a negative past.
2. Our culture today, is far from many of those origins (especially in North America).
3. Oct 31st – almost every child in the Bay Roberts area (especially those with no connection to Christianity) will be outside.
4. God has given us influence (our saltiness).
5. We are called to be a light and to use that influence to point to Jesus.

We're ready to
make a *positive* INFLUENCE,
are you?