

Salt & Light at work
(Actions speak
louder than words)

Colossians 3:23-4:1

Titus 2:6-8

Biblical background

Paul was writing to Christians who were in the minority

The cities of Colossae (Turkey) and Crete were commercial hubs with the usual Roman smorgasbord of religions and gods

Paul wanted the Christians to think about how 'actions speak louder than words'

Actions speak louder

“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

- Jesus (Matt 5:16)

But our actions should be motivated by our love for God

‘Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters’

- Col 3:23

Ripples on a pond?

Paul's advice to Titus is to lead by example and to expect this to ripple out through others

'Love your neighbour as yourself'

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

- Maya Angelou

Our challenge...

Something to ponder this week:

How do you make people feel?

Loved?

Encouraged?

Special?

How would they feel if they met Jesus?