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Tuesday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time

Salt gives flavor to food. It also preserves food. Light helps us to see better. These two words, salt and light, Jesus uses today to speak about us. Listening to Jesus, we are receiving words and teaching, but more importantly Jesus is forming us. What is unique about Jesus is that He stops and teaches His followers, who are becoming His disciples. "Becoming" is an important word because it speaks of something ongoing, and not yet completed. That is how we should see our lives as Christians, in continual formation and ongoing conversion. Only a little salt is needed to give flavor, more salt used to preserve. We are called to give flavor to the world as the Psalm says: "Learn to savor how good the Lord is" (Psalm 34:9). Jesus salts us through Word and Sacrament. St. Paul helps us understand this with these words from today's first reading: "But the one who gives us security with you in Christ and who anointed us is God; he has also put his seal upon us and given the Spirit in our hearts as a first installment." All of this is God's gift to us, so that we become His instruments: "Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds, and glorify your heavenly Father."

God Love You!

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