
Be Salty Christians

Bible Craft Ideas from Mark 9:38-50

These days, being “salty” isn’t a good thing...however, the Bible calls us to be the salt of the world, and Jesus invites Christians to be patient and “full of salt.” We can “flavor” and preserve the world around us when we are connected and devoted to Christ. These crafts remind kids of this word image in fun and creative ways. Salt dough can be used for fun molding, or to make more permanent baked crafts. Salty art work features colorful, textured elements for unique and engaging additions to regular drawings. Have fun and get salty!



Bible Verses and Craft Captions to Consider... (Mark 9:38-50)

Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another. -Mark 9:50

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. -Matthew 5:13

Be “salty” Christians!

Faith Brings Flavor and Freshness!

Preserve the Word...be salt-like!

Don't lose your saltiness! Follow Jesus!

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Craft one: “Salt Dough” Creations

You will need:

- Salt (plain table salt)
- Flour
- Water
- Mixing tools and measuring cups
- Food coloring (optional)
- Storage bags or supplies
- Cookie cutters (optional)



Procedure:

1. Measure dry ingredients. You will need a 1:2 ratio of salt to flour. For instance, if using $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of salt, you will have double the amount (1 cup) of flour. Or 1 cup of salt, and 2 cups of flour. Mix the salt and flour together.
2. Add water to the mixture, just enough to create a knead-able dough.
3. If desired, add food dye and/or glitter to color the dough.
4. Play with the dough, molding and squishing as desired.
5. Alternative/additional: use cookie cutters to make shapes. Bake the dough to harden, and paint afterward for a “complete” craft, if you wish.



Craft Two: "Salted Artwork"

You will need:

- Pens and pencils
- Markers/crayons
- Cardstock/paper
- Glue
- Salt (table salt or kosher)
- Food coloring (optional)
- Captions/verses



Procedure:

1. Draw a picture or theme onto paper or cardstock. Decorate with colors and verses as desired.
2. If desired, color salt by shaking in a Ziploc bag with a food drops of food dye.
3. Spread glue onto the parts of the drawing that need emphasis.
4. Sprinkle salt (colored or regular) onto the portions of art that you prefer textured.
5. Allow the art to dry. If desired, hang with magnet or pipe cleaner and enjoy!





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