

# The Church's Role in Society

Mat. 5: 13-16

## Introduction

Revolutions  
churches  
empire

- always a social institution: believe

1. Peter 2, Romans 14. But of a church... This 2:7, 3:8

- as an institution - 1. The early church - etc.

Acts 5, 6:1

2. 33 - 313

3. After Milan...

Olympias, Athens Academy  
- Chalcedon (schools)

4. Middle Ages

- imitation of the arts  
literature, architecture  
(little help to poor)

- Crusades...

- orders of Knights

- Monasteries

St. Francis, etc.  
mendicant, work

- Schools

- Blood Death - medical help.

5. The Reformers

Luther - German poor

Calvin - Geneva

Crosses - school,

- Movable type... printing

- Printing

6.

19th century

1.11 C.A. ...

Salvation Army

the Missions: David Nasmyth

Quey (India)

Rankes...

Coastal outreach; natives

7. Social Gospel - 19th late 20th

the idea

the outreach } humanitarian

Panchofurch... work hospitals... schools...

the problems.

(Jim Callaghan)

(the mercy ships) CC

8. Existential crisis?

the Gospel... best help in life  
offer is vitally important  
Who is my neighbor.