

SERMON TEXT - LUKE 6:39-49

39 He also told them a parable: "Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit?"

40 A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher.

41 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?"

42 How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

43 "For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit,

44 for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thorn-bushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush.

45 The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"

47 Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like:

48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built.

49 But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

The Nature of Discipleship- Rev. Cody A. Brobst Luke 6:39-49

Theme: *Jesus shows us that a life and character that produces good, eternal fruit is grounded in Him, not self.*

1. A Disciple's Authority- Vs. 39-40

The Danger of Blindness- self-sufficiency

2. A Disciple's Accountability- Vs. 41-42

The Danger of Hypocrisy- self-righteousness

3. A Disciple's Abundance- Vs. 43-45

The Danger of Bad Fruit- self-protection

4. A Disciple's Assurance- Vs. 46-49

The Danger of Shaky Foundations- self-deception

Gospel Applications

1. We must examine ourselves (2 Corinthians 13:5)
2. We must watch both our doctrine AND our lives (1 Timothy 4:16)
3. We must realize our words & choices shape our heart (James 3:6-12)
4. We must be rooted and grounded in His love (Ephesians 3:17-19)

Quotes

Rosaria Butterfield "Love the sinner and hate the sin? Even better: love the sinner and hate your own sin."

St. Augustine "Bitterness and resentment is like drinking poison and hoping someone else dies."

Mike Breen "If you make disciples, you always get the church. But if you make a church, you rarely get disciples."