

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 6:43-45

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"TREES, TREASURES & TALK"

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,
THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN*

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In a Section of Luke from Chapter 6:17 to 49
There is Here a Teaching Known as "The Great Sermon"

It's Great Because Jesus is Teaching.

It's a Sermon Because It's Directed Toward Those Who Follow Him.

What I Find Beautiful Is...

that the more I follow the teachings and example of Jesus Christ, the better off is the world around me. the more I do what Jesus says to do, the more happy, glad, and peaceful others will be.

The "Great Sermon" Shows Us The Characteristics of The Real Christian.

TREES, TREASURES & TALK

Luke 6:43-45

(Trees) - *"For a **good tree** does not bear bad fruit, nor does a **bad tree** bear **good fruit**. :44 For every **tree** is known by its **own fruit**. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. :45 **(Treasures)** - A **good man** out of the **good treasure** of his heart brings forth **good**; and an **evil man** out of the **evil treasure** of his heart brings forth **evil**.*

(Talk) - *For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.*

The Galilee: Perfect for Growing

Jesus is teaching, and preaching and serving, going from town to town throughout the Galilee region. 700 feet below sea-level, it's like summer, year around and the growing season never stops (Dates, Bananas, Avocado, Nuts, Oranges, Papaya, Mango, Apples, Figs, Tomatoes...)

Isaiah 27:6

In days to come Jacob will take root, Israel will bud and blossom and fill all the world with fruit.

it's absolutely unique in topography, in soils, in relation to the Mediterranean Sea and the peaks of Mt. Hermon, its ability to grow anything is evident!

The Galilee: Perfect for Growing

It's a Perfect Classroom Setting to Make a Vivid Point about things that are true and real vs. things that are false and empty...

**Because When and Where God's at Work,
There Will Be Evidence, There Will be Fruit, There will be Value...**

The Land of Israel: Perfect for Discovery

But Also This, Israel Has Beneath Its Surface "Treasures"
There are More Archaeological Artifacts to be Found in Israel Than Any Other Place on Earth...

Psalm 85:11

Truth shall spring out of the earth,

**Earlier In This Chapter,
We looked at a Very Famous Verse...**

Luke 6:37

"Judge not, and you shall not be judged."

Most Often Misused and Ill Appointed to Justify a Sin in Someone's Life, the Truth is, We're to Leave the Judgment to God in The End.

**Here, In Luke 6:43-45
We See Jesus Inviting Us to Examine, To Inspect
the Lives and Lifestyles of Others Who Claim to Know God - -
In Light of Scripture!**

TREES, TREASURES & TALK

1.) What am I Producing for Others? v.43-44

1a.) What kind of fruit comes out of me? v.43

"For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit

What's The Feedback of Others.

"What do others see, hear, receive from me"

***Jesus is Here To Answer the Conduct Found in Verses 41-42
You Can't Be a Hypocrite (Pretender) and Be a Real Christian.***

Galatians 6:7

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. **8** For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life

Notice the Qualifier Here!

the fruit **confirms** the tree. if the fruit is an apple,
then it's an apple tree.
if the fruit is an orange, it's an orange tree.

but what if you see a grapefruit hanging on a tree labeled "cherry tree"?
what can you conclude? - the tree and the fruit don't agree.

what the tree "claims" to be

is not what the tree is producing. so, what's the answer?

The tree is known by the fruit that it produces.

Jesus is Teaching That;

"A Real Christian is to Judge, Inspect, Evaluate, Discern
without Being Critical and Judgmental."

Confirming The Obvious

1b.) What fruit is coming out of me, is me!

v.44

For every tree is known by its own fruit...

Creek - **Known** ginw₂skw ginosko, to know fully. to perceive and to conclude. to come to the understanding of or to know someone or something.

That's My Fruit

how's it Taste, how's' it Smell?

What fruit is coming out of me, is me!

...Like That Foster Farms Commercial
those wanna be Foster Farms Chickens...

1c.) Is something that will reproduce in life?

v.44b

"...For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush.

Colossians 1:10

that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Jude 1:10-12

But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. :11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core. :12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withered, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

TREES, TREASURES & TALK

2.) What am I Giving toward Others?

v.45a

*A **good** man out of the good **treasure** of his **heart** brings forth good;
and an **evil** man out of the evil **treasure** of his **heart** brings forth evil.*

2a.) What are those good things that you can have? v.45

*A good man out of the **good treasure of his heart** brings forth good;*

Greek - Treasure, qhsaurolß thesauros, thay-sow-ros

things deposited, things stored, valued things, things of wealth

Jesus Makes Us New Creations

He Creates in Us a New Work - New Growth...

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

2 Corinthians 4:7

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us

VALUABLE THINGS ARE PUT INTO A BOX,
THAT'S WHAT MAKES THE BOX A TREASURE CHEST.

2b.) Or is it something that others should avoid?

v.45b

and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil.

**Notice How Politically Correct Jesus is - - Not!
If It Looks Evil, Sounds Evil, Smells Evil, - It's Evil**

Have You Noticed That the Bible
is Pretty Much Void of Excuses

James 1:26

If anyone among you thinks he is religious person, and does not bridle, or control his tongue, deceives his own heart, this man's religion *is* empty, fraudulent, it's not real.

Galatians 5:19-21

Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, sexual immorality, lewd talk, **20** idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions (**cliques**), **21** envy, murders, drunkenness, orgies, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice (do) such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

no one judges a tree by its leaves.
"My look at the leaves on the fruit tree."

it's not leaves, the bark or the trunk that you're interested in,
you're interested in the fruit it can produce for you.

Matthew 21:18-20

Now in the morning, as He returned to the city, He was hungry. **:19** And seeing a fig tree by the road, **He came to it and found nothing on it but leaves**, and said to it, "Let no fruit grow on you ever again." Immediately the fig tree withered away. **:20** And when the disciples saw *it*, they marveled, saying, "How did the fig tree wither away so soon?"

Christian, Be Encouraged

John 15:1

"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.,

HIS FRUIT PRODUCES DEPENDENCE UPON GOD

John 15:5

"I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

HIS FRUIT PRODUCES BOLDNESS IN PRAYER

John 15:7

If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

HIS FRUIT PRODUCES SUCCESS IN LIFE

John 15:16

You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

TREES, TREASURES & TALK

3.) What am I Saying about Others?

v.45b

*For out of the abundance
of the heart his mouth speaks.*

3a.) What I'm saying about others, tells about me? v.45

For out of the abundance of the heart

WHAT DO PEOPLE HEAR ME SAY?

**THE MOUTH IS THE OUTLET, THE FAUCET,
OF A MAN'S HEART.**

you can really know "what kind of a man he is" by listening to his heart as it comes out of his mouth.

THE MOUTH IS "HARD-WIRED" DIRECTLY TO THE HEART

Psalms 19:14

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,
be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD,

we have a "source" just like a spring coming out of the earth.
technically, fruit flows from the root of the tree and
a treasure can only give what it has within it...

Ephesians 4:29

Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

"When a Mouth Starts Going, Listen to What's Coming Out and How it Comes. a person is saying much more than what the words are about"

...You and I are Just Like **Trees** and **Treasures**
every time we open our mouths and say something...
Something Happens...

James 3:3-12

Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. **4** Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. **5** Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! **6** And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. **7** For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. **8** But no man can tame the tongue. *It is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. **9** With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. **10** Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. **11** Does a spring send forth fresh *water* and bitter from the same opening? **12** Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

**The Bible Makes It Very Clear,
when we come to faith in Christ, we're converted.
What happens? What is converted? Our Hearts are Made New.**

Ezekiel 36:24-27

For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. **:25** Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. **:26** I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. **:27** I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do *them*.

3b.) What I'm saying about others, tells about the Lord v.45

*For out of the abundance of the heart....
his mouth speaks.*

Proverbs 9:10

"The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom,

But Do I Believe The Scriptures?
is the Fear of the Lord Governing My Life

Matthew 12:36-37

But I say to you that for every idle word men speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.
:37 For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

Remember The Context of The Chapter - Judgmentalism, Hypocrisy,
Arrogance

"If There Has Been No Outer Change,
It's Because There Has Been No Inner Change."

have you changed since meeting Jesus Christ?
if there's been no change, then there's been no meeting

Does The Lord Have Control of My Life,
My Mouth, My Heart?

Hebrews 13:15

Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of *our* lips,
giving thanks to His name.

Is Lord Jesus Christ, My Lord, My Jesus, My Christ?

Verse 45

For **out** of the abundance of the heart
INTEL inside - - ITS HELL inside

who is a follower of Jesus Christ?

it's the Christian who makes "heart-calls"
(*compassionate, understanding, caring, gentle...*)

The Fruit of the Spirit is...

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23
gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

That Being The Fruit of The Holy Spirit

He Reproduces The Same in My Life and Yours

How Should We Make a Judgment?

Humbly

Jeremiah 17:9-10a

"The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, And desperately wicked; Who can know it? **:10 I, the LORD, search the heart, / test the mind...**

How Should We Make a Judgment?

Prayerfully

Colossians 1:9

we do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.

How Should We Make a Judgment?

Biblically

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for **reproof**, for **correction**, for **instruction** in righteousness, **:17** that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

How Should We Make a Judgment?

Lovingly

James 5:19-20

Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, **20** let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

How Should We Make a Judgment?

Mercifully

Romans 14:4

Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

How Should We Offer a Judgment?

Exemplarily

Galatians 6:1

Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

How Should We Offer a Judgment?

Privately

Matthew 18:15

“Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother.

How Should We Offer a Judgment?

Graciously

Philippians 2:3

Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. :4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

————— *End of Study* —————