

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

January 30, 2022

Sermons from the Sermon - Lesson 13 **False Prophets...False Followers** **(Matthew 7:15-23)**

This morning, we continue our study from the last major section of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 7:13-27) in our series called *Sermons from the Sermon*. As we discussed last week, the hallmark of this section is that it includes a series of warnings all offered in pairs.

All these warnings ultimately deal with the Kingdom of Heaven, righteousness, a choice, and eternal judgment. Today we will be looking at the warnings regarding two trees and two claims found in verses 15-23. What are the significant lessons we should take away from these warnings?

C _____ / A _____

Two Trees (15-20)

1. Healthy tree that bears good fruit
2. Diseased tree that bears bad fruit

Two Claims (21-23)

1. Confession of Jesus as Lord with words only
2. Confession of Jesus as Lord with words and actions

God has created us with free will, so we have a choice as to what type of tree we're going to be or what type of claim we're going to make. At its essence, this choice is about where we will place our faith and the warning is to ensure that what we present to others and to God is representative of where our faith really lies.

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*For all the law is fulfilled
in one word, even in this:
"You shall love your
neighbor as yourself."*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Youth Area-wide Service at Clarksville Christian School, today at 5:00

A _____ / C _____

Everyone will present an image on the outside, and claim something with their mouths, to God and to others. Is what we present truly representative of what we are inside? (Matthew 23:25-38)

C _____ / A _____

What we do will show if what we present is true. Also consider the words of James in James 2:14-26 regarding faith and works. He is arguing, just like Jesus, that if our appearance or confession are not backed up with works or actions, then they are worthless (dead).

This warning from Jesus should cause us to examine our own fruits and works to see what they say about the true focus of our lives...about what choice we have truly made. If we complete this examination, what types of things should we find in our lives if we are truly living with faith in Christ:

- Regular study of scripture
- Prayers offered to God in all situations
- Dedication to fellowship with other Christians
- Consistent offering of praise and worship to God
- Time spent helping others / taking care of their needs
- Looking for ways to share the gospel through words and actions

A _____ / C _____

What if our works demonstrate that our appearance or confession are false? It means that we have made the wrong choice, and if this continues Jesus promises there will be torment and separation from God for all eternity.

PRAYER LIST

- **Freddie Brown** is in St. Thomas West with Covid & Pneumonia
- **Isabel Johnson**, 16-year-old friend of the Agees with leukemia, will continue chemotherapy until the stem cell transplant, scheduled for February 22nd
- **Pat Agee**, Tim's father, is making great progress after his stroke
- **John Hayes** is recovering well at home
- Continue to remember **Kristine Garrett, Faye Waller, Ann Reed, and Jim Sims**

SERVING TODAY (January 30, 2022)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Read: J. Buchanon
Prayer: D. Billingsley

WORSHIP

Read: J. Gupton
Wait On Table: C. Baker
Serve: J. Demonbreun, M. Reed
Prayer: J. Baker