

Luke 6:43-45 / Fruit & Fallacy

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Easy warm-up questions (choose one)

- Have you ever followed the advice of someone that turned out to be really bad advice?
- 2. What was your worst gardening disaster? Or, what was your greatest gardening triumph?

What does Jesus mean by fruit?

- A good tree will never produce bad fruit. TRUE FALSE
- A bad tree will never produce good fruit. TRUE FALSE
- 3. What is the point of Jesus' fruit tree illustration?
- 4. Everyone lives by what they actually believe not by what they say. TRUE FALSE
- 5. What does Jesus mean by "fruit"?
- 6. In the context of Jesus' sermon (Luke 6:27-42) how does Jesus describe fruit (bad and good)?

What kind of heart produces good fruit?

- A follower of Jesus will always produce good fruit. AGREE DISAGREE
- 2. What does Jesus mean by "the good treasure of his heart"? How does this relate to fruit production?
- 3. What does Jeremiah 17:5-8 help us to understand about the kind of heart that produces good fruit?
- 4. What does Galatians 5:19-24 help us to understand about the kind of heart that produces good fruit?
- 5. What does John 15:5 help us to understand about the kind of heart that produces good fruit?
- 6. Bottom Line: What kind of heart produces good fruit?
- 7. In recent history, in what areas of your life have you seen the Spirit produce fruit in your life?
- These days, in what areas of your life do you struggle the Spirit's production of fruit?

Processing all that... Implications:

Test Their Fruit

1. According to Jesus, how can we tell if someone is a true disciple of Jesus?

Test Our Heart

- 1. Self-diagnosing our heart is always dangerous. TRUE FALSE
- 2. What does Jeremiah 17:9,10 help us to understand about diagnosing the true spiritual state of our heart?
- 3. Consider the prayers of David (Psalms 51:9,10; 119;10,11; 139:23,24). How might these be an example for you to follow as you seek after God's production of fruit in your life?