

Galilean Ministry—Sermon on the Mount: Fruit Inspectors (April – May 31)

Matthew 7:13–20	Luke 6:43–45
<p>13 “Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it.</p> <p>14 For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.</p> <p>15 “Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves.</p> <p>16 You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn <i>bushes</i> nor figs from thistles, are they?</p> <p>17 So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit.</p> <p>18 A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit.</p> <p>19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.</p> <p>20 So then, you will know them by their fruits.</p>	<p>44 For each tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they pick grapes from a briar bush.</p> <p>43 For there is no good tree which produces bad fruit, nor, on the other hand, a bad tree which produces good fruit.</p> <p>45 The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil <i>man</i> out of the evil <i>treasure</i> brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.</p>

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Matthew 7:21–8:1	Luke 6:46–49
<p>7:21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven <i>will enter</i>.</p> <p>22 Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’</p> <p>23 And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.’ [cf. Ps 6:8]</p> <p>24 “Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock.</p> <p>25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and yet it did not fall,</p>	<p>46 “Why do you call Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say?</p> <p>47 Everyone who comes to Me and hears My words and acts on them, I will show you whom he is like:</p> <p>48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock; and when a flood occurred, the torrent burst against that house and could not shake it,</p>

<p>for it had been founded on the rock. 26 Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell—and great was its fall.” 28 When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; 29 for He was teaching them as <i>one</i> having authority, and not as their scribes. 8:1 When Jesus came down from the mountain, large crowds followed Him.</p>	<p>because it had been well built. 49 But the one who has heard and has not acted <i>accordingly</i>, is like a man who built a house on the ground without any foundation; and the torrent burst against it and immediately it collapsed, and the ruin of that house was great.”</p>
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