Apples, Oranges, & A Rock Solid Foundation

REVIEW & SUMMARY

The Sermon on the Plain (Luke 6:17-49)

- Jesus ministers to the multitude. (vv. 17-19)
- Jesus identifies characteristics of the citizens of his kingdom—The Beatitudes. (vv. 20-23)
- Jesus warns against misplaced hope—4 Woes. (vv. 24-26)
- Jesus calls his citizens to a greater kind of love-Love Your Enemies. (vv. 27-36)
- Jesus teaches on judging others and hypocritical evaluation—The Speck & Log. (vv. 37-42)
- Jesus provides the test for determining the condition of a heart-Tree & Fruit. (vv. 43-45)
 - **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 thornbushes, 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.

		Observations / Summary:
•	Getting	the most out of the teachings of Jesus

THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERMON ON THE PLAIN: (Luke 6:46-49)

The correlation between allegiance & obedience.

46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? (See: Matthew 7:21-23; Lk. 8:21; 11:28)

James 1:22 ESV But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

John 14:15,23,24 GNB "If you love me, you will keep my commandments...

"Those who love me will obey my teaching... Those who do not love me do not obey my teaching. And the teaching you have heard is not mine, but comes from the Father, who sent me.

1 John 5:3 ESV For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.

The confidence of a solid foundation. (Obedience & Protection)

46 Everyone who <u>comes</u> to me and <u>hears</u> my words and <u>does</u> them, I will show you what he is like: **48** he is like a man <u>building a house</u>, who <u>dug deep</u> and laid the <u>foundation on the rock</u>. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and <u>could not shake it</u>, because **it had been well built.**

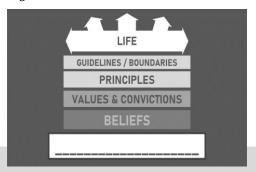
Psalm 62:5,6 GNB, ESV I depend on God alone; I put my hope in him. He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

1 Corinthians 3:11 ESV For no one can lay a foundation other than... Jesus Christ.

The calamity of a shaky foundation. (Disobedience & Disaster)

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

Psalm 11:3 ...If the foundations are shaken, how can the buildings stand?



REFLECTION/DISCUSSION

- What was the most helpful takeaway, for you personally, from today's message?
- 2. Read James 5:19 and Galatians 6:1. Based on these verses, what type of judging is Jesus's warning against in Luke 6:37-42? Is there a situation in your life where you can practice the steps of Luke 6:42?
- 3. Reread Luke 6:43-45. How could you use this "fruit test" to examine the condition of your own heart?
- 4. Reread Luke 6:46-49. Why is obedience such an important factor to this teaching? What is the connection between this passage and John 15:1-11?
- 5. What things, other than God's Word, are you prone to use as "foundations"?

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