Fruitful Followers

Luke 6:43-49

1. What you value is seen by your words and actions.

- 2. Valuing <u>Jesus</u> as <u>Lord</u>, means <u>following</u> what He says.
 - a. If you <u>follow</u> what He says, expect a life of <u>blessing</u> in the <u>storm</u>.
 - b. If you don't follow what He says, expect a life of ruin.



FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

- 1. Brian knows next to nothing about plants. What's shockingly common, that you know surprisingly little about?
- 2. What do your recent conversations reveal about what you truly treasure? See Luke 6:45; Matthew 6:21; James 3:13-18.
- 3. Genesis 3:17-18 shows thorns and thistles as being part of the curse. What does this tell us about producing "good fruit"? See Luke 6:48.
- 4. Good fruit only comes through following Jesus and the righteousness He gives us through faith. How does this truth protect us from both self-righteousness and despair when we examine our own fruit? 1 John 1:6-10; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 14:26-27; John 15:1-8
- 5. Read Luke 6:46. What do you think makes this question from Jesus so powerful and confronting? How does it challenge our understanding of what it means to follow Christ?
- 6. What part of your "fruit basket" (areas of your life) do you find most challenging to honestly evaluate? Where do you need "clean out the fridge"?

"I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now.... Come further up, come further in!"

— C.S. Lewis, The Last Battle