

## The Evidence a Person Has been delivered (Luke 6:43-49)

### I. A Person's Fruit is the Evidence of His salvation (43-45)

#### A. Trees are identified by their fruit (43-44a)

1. Good trees don't bear bad fruit
2. Bad trees don't bear good fruit
  - a. Notice the present tense in Greek –
  - b. It speaks of consistently bearing the fruit
  - c. Speaks of a lifestyle of fruit-bearing
2. Each tree is known by the consistency of its fruit

#### B. Trees cannot bear a different species of Fruit (44b)

1. Thornbushes do not produce figs
2. Bramble bushes don't produce grapes
  - a. Fruit can only be produced by species
  - b. The man enslaved to sin can only produce sin
    - i. He may do good things
    - ii. He cannot do righteous things before God

#### C. Man's Heart produces His fruit (45)

1. Good fruit can only be produced from a good heart
2. Evil fruit can only consistently be produced from an evil heart
3. All fruit is produced by the heart.
  - a. The question is not "should I start doing better"
  - b. The question is "what is my heart producing"

#### D. The Heart that is delivered will produce good fruit

### II. Jesus Delivers His Servants (heart change) (46-49)

#### A. Those producing evil fruit are not delivered (46)

#### B. Those producing good fruit have been delivered

1. The fruitful are delivered from judgment (47-48)
  - a. The man who builds only upon Christ (47)
    - i. He trusts alone in Christ
    - ii. Hears and keeps Christ's words
  - b. This man survives the flood (48)
    - i. He builds upon the foundation of Christ
    - ii. The flood is the wrath of God
    - iii. He withstands the storm
2. The unfruitful is destroyed in Judgment (49)
  - a. The man does not build on Christ
    - i. He does not heed Christ's words
    - ii. He aspires for his own righteousness
  - b. This man is destroyed
    - i. His ruin is great