

THE WORD FOR LIFE – SERMON NOTES

The Sermon on the Mount – Disciple UP!

The Disciple's Relationships, Pt. 4, False Prophets (Matt. 7:13-20)

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1) Jesus says I must _____ which road I'll follow.

"Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. Matthew 7:13-14 (NIV)

- There are only _____
- They are different in _____
- They lead me to very different _____

This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (NIV)

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. Psalm 1:6 (NIV)

2) Jesus says I must _____ of false prophets.

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.. Matthew 7:15 (NIV)

- They _____

For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, masquerading as apostles of Christ. 2 Corinthians 11:13- (NIV)

- They are wolves who _____

I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears. Acts 20:29-31 (NIV)

- They are _____

And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. It is not surprising, then, if his servants masquerade as servants of righteousness. Their end will be what their actions deserve. 2 Corinthians 11:14-15 (NIV)

3) All disciples need to become _____

By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Matthew 7:16-19 (NIV)

TWO KINDS OF FRUIT:

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Woe to you when all men speak well of you, for that is how their fathers treated the false prophets. Luke 6:26 (NIV)

HOW TO INSPECT:

Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true. Acts 17:11 (NIV)

*Test **everything**. Hold on to the good. 1 Thessalonians 5:21 (NIV)*