

ULC Sermon Study Resource

The Gospel of Luke // Jesus Teaches Pt. 2

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Prayer: Pause for a few moments to go to the Lord in prayer. Ask that He would draw near to you in this time, and open your heart and mind to hear His Word.

Icebreaker: What is your caffeinated beverage of choice? Coffee? Tea? Pop?

Reading: Luke 6:37-49

Outline:

- I. A healthy measure (v. 37-42)
 - a. We are called to measure others with the same graciousness that God uses with us.
 - b. We need to acknowledge the sin in our own lives and our own need for repentance before we try to correct the sin in others.
Q: What do we have to do first before removing the speck from our brother's eye?
- II. A healthy fruit (v. 43-45)
 - a. The healthy fruit that God desires to work in us is a gracious measure for other people.
 - b. A healthy tree produces healthy fruit, not the other way around.
Q: In this metaphor, how is a tree recognized?
- III. A healthy foundation (v. 46-49)
 - a. The foundation is what makes the house secure. The person who builds on the strong foundation becomes the healthy tree that produces good fruit and measures rightly.
 - b. If you build upon Jesus as a foundation, you will not fall apart when a storm comes.
Q: What happened to the houses that were not built on a solid foundation?

Reflection/Application Questions:

- 1) What does it mean to fail to see the plank in your own eye? Can you think of a time where this happened to you?
- 2) What are some practical ways that we can continually adopt a posture of repentance?
- 3) Can you think of examples of what healthy fruit looks like?
- 4) What does it mean to build upon Jesus as your foundation? Can you think of examples of people who have done this well?
- 5) Have you built your life on the foundation of Jesus? What advice would you give to someone who wants to do this?

Suggestions for further study:

- 1 Timothy 1:15 **Q: What is the significance of the posture Paul takes in this verse?**
- Galatians 5:22 **Q: How do these fruits of the Spirit play a role in relationships we have?**
- 1 Corinthians 3:10-15 **Q: What is the foundation we are building upon?**

Closing Prayer: Gracious God, you sent your son Jesus into the world to be the perfect measure of all things. In Him we find a measure that is not harsh, but gracious. God, we pray that this message of grace would work its way deep into our bones, and that it would move us to be gracious toward others. We pray that you would make us people that are filled with all of the fruits of the Spirit. In Jesus' name, Amen.