

The Power of Kingdom Choice

Matthew 7:13-20

I. Choosing Christ - 7:13-14

II. Choosing Caustiously - 7:15

Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by it. For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it. Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves.

III. Choosing Correctly - 7:16-20

You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes, nor figs from thistles, are they? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit; but a bad tree bears bad fruit.

A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, you will know them by their fruits.

Life Group Study Questions

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1. Have you ever taken a wrong turn and it lead to a costly detour? Share your experience.

2. Jesus presses his listeners to make the choice to embrace His kingdom IMMEDIATELY. What is the danger of lingering and staying in a neutral position when it comes to salvation and kingdom living?

3. How many options do we actually have when it comes to relationship with God? Why do people presume there are more?

4. The choice of Christ and His Kingdom is very narrow. Give an example of this from Scripture (Jn. 10:9, Lk. 9:23, Mt. 5:3)

5. Give some reasons why the “wide” gate is so appealing to our flesh.

6. What is the consequence of choosing to reject Christ and His kingdom? What is the consequence of choosing Christ by faith? Do you believe this?

7. False gatekeepers are those who seek to tell people there is more than one choice or option. Describe a false gatekeeper (prophet).

8. The one way to spot a false teacher is to examine them for spiritual fruit. If it is not evident across the board in their life, then beware and disengage. Verse 19 makes it clear that their lives and ministries are bound for destruction. Give an example.

9. Pray for each other and for those who need to come to a place of choosing Christ as Savior.