

Sweet Fruit and Solid Foundations

PASTORAL RESIDENT LUCAS CONE • LUKE 6:43–49



“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit.

Luke 6:43

Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars.

Luke 6:44

A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

Luke 6:45

Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?

Luke 6:46

As for everyone who comes to Me and hears My words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like.

Luke 6:47

They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built.

But the one who hears My words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”

Luke 6:49

Outward behavior is a window
to the heart. (6:43–45)



How to assess the state
of our hearts? Assess
the fruit of our lives.





How to produce good fruit? Be transformed from the inside.



Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

Proverbs 4:23

But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

James 1:14

Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

James 1:15

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

Ezekiel 36:26

Remain in Me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in Me.

Obedience to Christ is a
sure foundation to build
our lives upon. (6:46–49)



How to live with confidence
and hope? Hear and do
what Jesus says.





How to understand salvation?
Not earned but evidenced.



For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 3:11

**Jesus offers unshakable
assurance to those who trust
and obey Him from the heart.**

