

The Gospel of Matthew (Chapter 7:20-29)

v. 20 Good or Bad Fruit

1. "So, then, you will know them by their F ___ I ___ S."
2. We can identify false _____ by their "fruits" or A C ___ I ___ N S.
3. We ourselves must be knowledgeable of God's _____ to discern good and bad.

v. 21 There Must Be Action

1. "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the ___ I ___ L of My Father who is in heaven."
2. In this verse, Jesus is claiming _____.
3. We cannot rely on ___ A I ___ alone. We must also carry out God's will.
4. Our works are not to be done to M ___ I ___ salvation, but to follow what God has _____ of us.
5. We cannot ___ A R ___ our salvation, we but we are still expected to do what we are commanded.
6. Grace is extended to those who _____ to do what God wants.

v. 22-23 Does God Know You?

1. "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?'" (v. 22)
2. Jesus implies that the ___ U L ___ T U ___ will believe they deserve salvation.
3. "And then I will declare to them, 'I never _____ you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.'" (v. 23)
4. Many people will know God but not _____ His law; thus, God will not know them.

v. 24-25 Build Upon the Rock

1. "Therefore everyone who _____ these words of Mine, and __ C __ __ upon them, may be compared to a wise man, who built his house upon the rock." (v. 24)
2. God has supplied us with His Word, but it is up to us to F __ __ L O __ what He says.
3. Wisdom is found in the one who both listens to the Word and acts on it.
4. "And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house, and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded upon the rock." (v. 25)
5. Hearing and following God's law will build up a firm foundation when the _____ of life descend.

v. 26-27 The House Upon the Sand

1. "And everyone who hears these words of Mine, and does not act upon them, will be like a _____ man, who built his house upon the sand." (v. 26)
2. Only a fool does not __ E E __ to God's instruction.
3. "And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house; and it _____, and great was its fall." (v. 27)
4. Disregarding God's Word makes for a shaky and __ N S __ __ U R __ life.

v. 28-29 Jesus Concludes

1. "The result was that when Jesus had finished these words, the multitudes were _____ at His teaching; for He was teaching them as one having authority, and not as their scribes."
2. As Jesus wraps up His lesson, the people listening observe that He is __ I F __ E R __ __ N T.
3. Jesus' teachings demonstrate his _____.