What does the evidence reveal? Know the real Jesus **Luke 6:43-49**

⁴³ "For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, ⁴⁴ for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. ⁴⁵ The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

What does your speech reveal?

- What we say (& how) is the evidence of what's in our hearts
- Don't pretend "I didn't mean that" (45)
- We need God to transform us from the inside out (43-44a)
- Observe others' output before listening to their input (44b)

⁴⁶ "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?⁴⁷ Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: ⁴⁸ he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built.^[a] ⁴⁹ But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

What do your choices reveal?

- What we do is the evidence of what has mastery of our lives
- Don't pretend "Oh yes, I'm a Christian" (46)
- We need to submit to Jesus ... or else face eternal destruction (49)
- Obey Jesus as Lord & trust in the security He offers

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven ... On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?'

And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'"