

Sermon Questions

August 11, 2024 | Scripture: Luke 6:46-49 (Why do you call me lord, lord, but do not do what I tell you?)

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Note down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

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Core Questions

1. Explore the question that Jesus asked, "Why do you call me lord, lord, but do not do what I tell you?..." How is this question meaningful for his original audience as well as for us today?
2. Where is it tempting to build your life on things other than Christ? What parts of your life have you yet turned over to Jesus?
3. How does true repentance lead to genuine obedience rather than behavior modification?
4. What storms has God brought into your life that you might grow in trusting Him?
5. How does Jesus save us from the ultimate storm of sin?

Inward Grace in Action

6. Read the quotation in the box below. How does framing obedience in terms of relationship change your view of sanctification? Discuss what it looks like to grow in sanctification with this in mind.

Outward Grace in Action

7. The grace of this passage is its pointed clarity. It hits directly at places where we are paying lipservice to Christ, instead of following him in faith. As a result, we are invited to confess our hypocrisy to Christ, but also to those we trust around us that they might encourage us. Who do you need to invite into your life to walk with you on the road of obedience?

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Reflect on these Scriptures:

Isaiah 28:14-22

Psalms 118:22-23

Psalms 46:1-11

Matthew 7:21-27

James 1:22-27

Rev. 3:14-22

Serve: Consider serving in the ESOL and Christianity Explored ministries that begin this fall.

Pray: Ask the Lord to help you love His law that you may grow in faithful obedience. Pray through the flock notes for those (or yourself) who need encouragement in the storm.

To have Faith in Christ means, of course, trying to do all that He says. There would be no sense in saying you trusted a person if you would not take his advice. Thus if you have really handed yourself over to Him, it must follow that you are trying to obey Him. But trying in a new way, a less worried way. Not doing these things in order to be saved, but because He has begun to save you already. Not hoping to get to Heaven as a reward for your actions, but inevitably wanting to act in a certain way because a first faint gleam of Heaven is already inside you.

-C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity