Unforgettable: The Words of Jesus... about Salvation

Matthew 13:1-9; John 12:24

4 Heart Conditions Jesus Identifies in people:

1. I don't acknowledge that I need Jesus.

Matthew 13:18-19

2. I don't use faith to believe in Jesus.

Matthew 13:20-21

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3. I don't have room for Jesus.

Matthew 13:22

4. I do <u>understand</u> my desperate need for Jesus, and receive Him wholeheartedly.

"You know there's a root, when you see the fruit!"

- **5 Kinds of Fruit from a True-heart Conversion:**
- True heart-<u>dependence</u> upon Jesus and His provision. *Jeremiah 17:9; John 14:6*
- True heart-<u>change</u> made apparent by the fruit of the Spirit. *Galatians 5:22-23; Romans 6:22*
- True heart-<u>commitment</u> to the Great Commandment. *Matthew 22:37*
- True heart-<u>compassion</u> for the lost around us. *2 Corinthians 5:18*
- True heart-goodness resulting in good works flowing from faith. James 2:14-17; 2 Peter 3:9

Next Week's Reading Guide:

Matthew 13:45 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Matthew 18:1-6 Matthew 18:10-14

Matthew 18:15-20

Matthew 18:21-35

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Which of the first 3 heart conditions best described you before receiving Christ?
- 2. Discuss together the root of repentance. What kinds of attitudes do we need to be constantly repenting of to embrace dependence on Christ?
- 3. Discuss the 5 kinds of fruit of a "True-heart conversion", one at a time. Which fruit is most bountiful in your life? Which fruit is most lacking?
- 4. How can you "up" the production of fruit in the low area?
- 5. Are you an "ABC", All-in Believing Confessing Christian? Share.