

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- What is one aspect of the “Golden Rule” that you learned from this week’s sermon? How have/will you put it into practice this week?
  
- Jesus describes the Christian life as entering through a “narrow gate” through a “hard way” that only “few” can find. How does this bring tension to our current church culture of growth, prosperity, and trying to make it “easy” for people to believe in Jesus? How has this teaching challenged your thinking?
  
- Who are the false prophets (notice Paul does not say false “teachers”) in the church? In light of previous teaching on being judgmental as well as knowing that only God knows the heart of a man, how are we to “recognize them by their fruits”?
  
- How does this sermon/teaching bring you assurance that you are, in fact, part of God’s kingdom?

## NEW KINGDOM LIVING

JESUS' LIFE IN OURS

## FAMILY QUESTIONS

- People call verse 12 the “Golden Rule” (do to others as you would want them to do to you). Does that mean if you follow this rule that you are saved and “ok” with God? Why or why not?
  
- Why do you think Jesus talks about being a Christian as entering through a “narrow gate,” following a “hard way,” and being a way that only a “few” can find? Isn’t being a Christian “easy” (you just believe in Jesus, right)?
  
- How can you know if someone is a healthy tree or a diseased tree (vv. 15-20)? What kinds of “fruits” grow on each of these trees?

## WEEKLY PRAYER

- Our Men & Women in Uniform
- Our Veterans and families
- Daryl & Mary Pfantz, Wycliffe Asia Pacific
- Steven Nichols, Elder
- Ken Peterson, Director of Administration
- Men’s Ministry
- Iglesia de Cristo, Appleton
- Pray for those who do not yet have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus. (Colossians 4:2-4)

## CROSS REFERENCES

- Deuteronomy 13:1-3
- Psalm 16:11
- Matthew 3:10; 12:33-35;
- Matthew 22:34-40
- Luke 6:31, 43-44; 13:22-30
- Acts 20:28-30
- James 2:18

## SCRIPTURE MEMORY

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”  
John 14:6 (ESV)

## WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

His Name Is Jesus (All Hail the Power)  
<https://youtu.be/5KVPxfUU-Go>  
The Way  
<https://youtu.be/MOzsJlk8p6I>