Grace Community Church of Topsail

September 8, 2019 - Sermon Series: God's Will Produces Obedience to Jesus as King - Matthew 7:21-27

1 Psalm 116:1-4 (NASB)

1 I give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good;
for his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let Israel now say,
That his mercy endureth for ever.
3 Let the house of Aaron now say,
That his mercy endureth for ever. ...

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2 Psalm 118:24-29 (NASB)

This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save, we pray, O LORD!
O LORD, we pray, give us success!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
LORD!
We bless you. ...

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3 This Is The Day

4 A Fresh Brew

5 I've Witnessed It

Today's Sermon:

Genuine Saving Faith Will Produce Obedience to Jesus as King

Matthew 7:21-27

1 Matthew 7:21-27 (NASB)

21 "Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, shall
enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth
the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will
say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not
prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have ...

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Jesus Gives Us Two Powerful Tools to Demonstrate the Reality of Our Faith:

Is Your Salvation Built on Words Without Obedience? Matthew 7:21-23

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"A Lesser Christ's kingdoms is to submit to Him as King; genuine saving faith will produce obedience."

1 Acts 20:31-35 (NASB)

Hard God was doing extraordinary miracles by the
hands of Paul, 12 so that even handkerchiefs or aprons
that had touched his skin were carried away to the
sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits
came out of them. Then some of the ...

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1 Matthew 5:33 (NASB)

33 "Again you have heard that the ancients were told,
'YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FALSE VOWS, BUT SHALL
PERFORM TO THE LORD YOUR VOWS.' 34 But I say to
you, make no oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the
throne of God, 35 or by the earth, for it is His footstool,
or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. 36
Nor shall you make an oath by your head, for you
cannot make one hair white or black. 37 But let your
statement be, 'Yes, yes' or 'No, no'; anything beyond
these is of evil. ...

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To know Jesus is to know Him as Savior and submit to Him as King

You cannot truly know Jesus as Savior while rejecting Him as King.

Do I currently call Jesus "Lord," or is He really Lord/King of my life?

Jesus Gives Us Two Powerful Tools to Demonstrate the Reality of Our Faith:

Is Your Salvation Built on Mere Intellectual Knowledge-Without Obedience? Matthew 7:24-27

1 Matthew 7:24-27 (NASB)

Therefore whoever heareth these sayings of mine,
and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man,
which built his house upon a rock: And the rain
descended, and the floods came, and the winds
blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for
it ...

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"Do we really hear Jesus, or do we build our lives on what He says?

1 1 John 2:3-6 (NASB)

3 We can tell we have come to know him if we obey
his commandments. 4 A liar said he knew him, but
he's not telling the truth. He doesn't obey God's
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3 James 2:22-27 (NASB)

22 You see that his faith and his deeds were working
together, and his faith was perfected by his deeds;
23 and the scripture was fulfilled which says, "AND
ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO
HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS," and he was called the friend
of God. 24 You see that a man is justified by deeds and
not by faith alone. 25 In the same way Rahab the
harlot also was she not justified by deeds when she
received the messengers and sent them out by
another way? 26 For just as the body apart from the
spirit is dead, so also faith apart from deeds is dead. ...

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Read faith makes you a doer of God's Word. It does not stop at hearing God's Word—it responds with obedience.

Jesus Gives Us Two Powerful Tools to Demonstrate the Reality of Our Faith:

The storms of life will reveal your foundation. Matthew 7:25.

1 Matthew 7:25 (NASB)

and the rain descended, and the floods came, and
the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell
not: for it was founded upon a rock.

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2 John 2:18-20 (NASB)

Therefore believe in the Son has eternal life;
whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life,
but the wrath of God remains on him.

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3 Luke 6:46-49 (NASB)

"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what
I tell you?

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4 John 3:36 (NASB)

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Hearing and OBEYING God's Word is what makes a foundation built on ROCK.

Hearing and NOT DOING God's Word is what makes your life foundation built on SAND.

When life is calm, we can convince ourselves that we are trusting Christ. But when the rain falls, the floods rise, and the winds blow, what we are really trusting becomes visible.

Is my life truly built on Jesus and His Word, or do I only think I am? I building on something else?

What is holding me up when everything else is shaken?

If everything I depend on were taken away, would my faith still stand?

When the storms come, what does my response reveal that I'm really trusting?

If Jesus examined the foundation of my life today, what would He find?

What am I building my life on and will it stand when the storm comes?

Saving Faith Looks...

UPWARD - Christ
I Look to Christ alone for my righteousness to save me from my sin, judgment, and God's wrath.

Saving Faith Looks...

INWARD - Transformation
I Look to the Holy Spirit to pursue holiness by obeying His Word.

Saving Faith Looks...

OUTWARD -
Obedience and Love:
I joyfully obey Christ and love His people in word and deed.

1 I Want To Know You

2 Hallelujah What A Savior (Your Love Has Rescued Me)

See Kimberly Miller for details.

See Wendy Rosenhauer for details