

A Terrifying Reality

Series: *Jesus Uncut – Sermon on the Mount*
– Matthew 7:21-23 –

1. The Deception of False Belief

A. **Intellectual** *Understanding is Not Enough*

B. **Emotional** *Feeling is Not Enough*

C. **Words and Works** *are Not Enough*

2. The Reality of Genuine Belief

A. **Surrender** *to Jesus as Lord*

B. **Trust** *in Jesus as Savior*

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. Do you think vs. 21-23 were meant to scare us, comfort us, or something else entirely? Explain
3. Where are you most prone to look for assurance that you are a true child of God?
4. What was the fault of the “evildoers” (vs. 23)? If the ability to prophesy, drive out demons, and perform miracles is not what Jesus means by doing the will of the Father, what is?
5. Why is “charismatic” activity no substitute for genuine obedience and a personal relationship with Jesus?
6. What does the phrase, “I never knew you” (vs. 23) imply about eternal life?
7. How does a relational, heart connection to Christ differ from simply being “religious” or moral?
8. If someone you know asserted that a person can be a Christian while spending his or her entire life fruitless, how would you respond? Use Scripture to support your answer.

