

Pastor Roy's Study Questions on Matthew 12:33-50 **(September 10, 2025)**

— Below are questions to help further our understanding of Wednesday's Sermon. —

1. How can we ensure we are bearing good fruit in our lives, and what might that fruit look like in practical terms?
2. In what ways might our words reveal the true state of our hearts, and how can we be more mindful of this connection?
3. How does Jesus' comparison of Himself to Jonah deepen our understanding of His mission and sacrifice?
4. What can we learn from the contrast between the Pharisees' rejection of Jesus and the repentance of Nineveh at Jonah's preaching?
5. How might the parable of the returning unclean spirit apply to our spiritual lives today, particularly in terms of maintaining our faith?
6. In what ways does Jesus' statement about His true family challenge our understanding of spiritual kinship versus biological relationships?
7. How can we discern whether we are truly doing 'the will of the Father in heaven', as Jesus describes?
8. What implications does Jesus' authority over unclean spirits have for our understanding of spiritual warfare and healing?
9. How might Jesus' interactions with the religious leaders inform our approach to those who are skeptical or hostile to our faith?
10. In what ways does Jesus' teaching about trees and their fruit challenge us to examine our own lives and the lives of spiritual leaders?