crossfellowship church

How Do You Know If You're Really a Christian?
Luke 6:43-49
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Two Marks of a Genuine Christian

- A genuine Christian bears good fruit.
  - Just as the fruit of a tree reveals what kind of tree it is, so the fruit of our lives reveal the nature of our hearts.
  - The fruit we produce — whether good or evil — grows from the root of who we are.
    - If God has caused your spiritually dead heart to come alive and caused you to be born again and indwelled you with His Spirit, and if your faith in Jesus is genuine, then you'll produce good fruit in your life.
    - If you're spiritually dead in your sin, and you haven't been born again and don't possess the Spirit of God, and if your faith in Jesus isn't genuine, then you'll produce bad fruit in your life.
- A genuine Christian does what Jesus says.
  - The distinguishing mark of a Christian isn't whether or not you hear and agree with Jesus' teaching; it's whether or not you obey Jesus' teaching.

The Personal Implication

- These truths should cause us to recognize the connection between our assurance of salvation and our obedience.
  - Important distinctions:
    - Jesus is the basis of our salvation and obedience is the evidence of our salvation.
    - God is the cause of our salvation and obedience is the result of our salvation.
  - We should not assume salvation because of mere profession.

The Corporate Implications

- These truths have important implications on church membership.
- These truths have important implications on church discipline.
- These truths have important implications on baptism.

Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray that you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, sermon or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We'd also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card, which is located at the Welcome Table.

Exploring Membership Class

Sundays, March 24 and 31 / 12-2:30 p.m. / Location TBD

Are you interested in membership at CFC, or would you simply like to learn more about our church? Join our Exploring Membership class, where you'll learn about our church's core beliefs, values, and vision and how we seek to live these out in our church. We will also explain the process and requirements for membership here at CFC. Lunch and childcare will be provided. If you're interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Jared Chasteen.

Members' Meeting

Sunday, March 3 / 4-5:30 p.m. / Indian Woods Middle School

During our next Members' Meeting, we will affirm a new member into Cross Fellowship Church and discuss other business issues in the life of our church. Just a reminder that Members' Meetings are only for current CFC members. Childcare will be provided.

Prospective New Church Member

We are excited to announce that Hunter Mix has completed the CFC membership process and has been affirmed by the elders for membership. We will vote to affirm him into membership at our next Members' Meeting on March 3. If any current members of CFC have concerns about him meeting the membership requirements, please contact the elders immediately.

Set Up and Tear Down Help

Over the last few years, the same people have been arriving early to help set up for our Sunday morning worship gatherings. The same is true when it comes to our tear down team. We are looking for able bodies who are willing to serve in any capacity on this team. You might only be able to serve one Sunday a month or only help tear down, or you may have no idea how to set up the audio equipment. That's no problem at all. We'll take any help we can get! If you're interested in serving in this way, please contact Landon Jones.

Email Newsletter

Have you signed up to receive our weekly email newsletter? If not, simply go to crossfellowshipchurch.org, click the "Sign Up" button near the top of the page, and fill in the form. This is the best way to stay up to date on what's going on at Cross Fellowship Church.

Sunday Morning Offering

Unlike most churches, we do not pass a collection plate each Sunday to collect your financial gifts and offerings. Instead, if you would like to financially contribute toward our church-related ministries, you can do so in the offering box located in the back of the room. Thank you!

Elders

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Discipleship Communities

In our discipleship communities, or small groups, we seek to live as disciples together who love God supremely, one another humbly, and the world sacrificially. Please join us!

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