

# 砍下不結果的樹

## 1. 不結果的樹如同不悔改的人

- 路加福音 13:6-7

<sup>6</sup>於是用比喻說：一個人有一棵無花果樹栽在葡萄園裡。他來到樹前找果子，卻找不著。<sup>7</sup>就對管園的說：看哪，我這三年來到這無花果樹前找果子，竟找不著。把他砍了罷，何必白佔地土呢"

- 以賽亞書 5:1-2

"<sup>5</sup>我要為我所親愛的唱歌，是我所愛者的歌，論他葡萄園的事：我所親愛的有葡萄園在肥美的山岡上。<sup>2</sup>他刨挖園子，撿去石頭，栽種上等的葡萄樹，在園中蓋了一座樓，又鑿出壓酒池；指望結好葡萄，反倒結了野葡萄。"

## 2. 耶穌防止將樹砍下。

- 路加福音 13:7-9

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- 彼得後書 3:9

"<sup>9</sup>主所應許的尚未成就，有人以為他是耽延，其實不是耽延，乃是寬容你們，不願有一人沉淪，乃願人人都悔改。"

- 耶利米書 17:7-8

"<sup>7</sup>倚靠耶和華、以耶和華為可靠的，那人有福了！<sup>8</sup>他必像樹栽於水旁，在河邊扎根，炎熱來到，並不懼怕，葉子仍必青翠，在乾旱之年毫無掛慮，而且結果不止。"

## 3. 神的耐性等待，其判決終會砍下不結果的樹

- 馬太福音 3:7-10

"<sup>7</sup>約翰看見許多法利賽人和撒都該人也來受洗，就對他們說：毒蛇的種類！誰指示你們逃避將來的忿怒呢？<sup>8</sup>你們要結出果子來，與悔改的心相稱。<sup>9</sup>不要自己心裡說：有亞伯拉罕為我們的祖宗。我告訴你們，神能從這些石頭中給亞伯拉罕興起子孫來。<sup>10</sup>現在斧子已經放在樹根上，凡不結好果子的樹就砍下來，丟在火裡。"

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- 加拉太書 5:22-23

"<sup>22</sup>聖靈所結的果子，就是仁愛、喜樂、和平、忍耐、恩慈、良善、信實、<sup>23</sup>溫柔、節制。這樣的事沒有律法禁止。"

## Cutting Down A Barren Tree

Very few take seriously the demands of discipleship. Anyone who thinks that living the Christian life is easy has not tried it.

### 1. The Tree Stands for Unrepentant People.

- Luke 13:6-7 And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none.
- Isaiah 5:1-2 Let me sing for my beloved, my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. 2 He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

### 2. Jesus Prevents the Cutting Down of the Tree.

- Luke 13:7b 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' [8] And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. [9] Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.' "
- 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. ESV
- Jeremiah 17:7-8 "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. [8] He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit." ESV

### 3. Patient Judgment Leads to Cutting Down the Tree.

- Matthew 3:7-10 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? [8] Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. [9] And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. [10] Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
- Luke 3:9 Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
- Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Application:

God treats us sinners in this patient way now. God gives us opportunities of repentance. God knows that many only live to make the ground of our society barren and sterile. So that they are not only useless to the church, but harmful to the world.

Luke 13:6-9