

Bible Chat week starting 10 7 22

1. **Read Luke 6: 46 - 49.** According to this parable, how is a person saved?
2. Christians can sometimes find it much easier to talk about Jesus than to live by Jesus' teaching. If we accept that is true, why do people want to talk about Jesus anyway?
3. Looking at the context, it would seem that Luke 6: 20 - 45 would be the sort of teaching Jesus expected his followers to live by. Look through these verses, perhaps read them aloud.
4. Which part of this teaching is it easiest to follow? Which is the hardest? Try to work out why.
5. Is it possible for a church community to live by these verses or is it all just unrealistic?
6. When a disagreement arises in a church, what stops us from acting in the spirit of these verses? What can we do about that?
7. What changes would you make to your own life in response to this teaching?
8. **Read Romans 1: 18 - 25.** Describe in your own words what Paul means by the "exchange". If he was thinking about idol worship, in what ways do modern people make a similar exchange?
9. If time permits, have a discussion about whether or not a person in a same-sex marriage should be allowed to serve as a Baptist minister - but do so in a manner reflecting all the teaching we have thought about today,