

## SERMON NOTES – 7.7.19

**Sermon Series:** Sermon On The Mount

**Sermon Title:** “The Road Less Traveled” – Matthew 7:13-23

TWO roads diverged in a yellow wood,  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveler, long I stood  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the undergrowth;  
I shall be telling this with a sigh

Somewhere ages and ages hence:  
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I -  
I took the one less traveled by,  
And that has made all the difference.

Robert Frost, *"The Road Not Taken"*

"Enter by the narrow gate. For gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few. Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from the thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? So every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. Not everyone who says to me 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day, many will say to me 'Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare

to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness'." -Matthew 7:13-23

1. **Not All Paths Lead To Heaven**
2. **Not All Religious Activity Leads to Heaven**

- a. **Salvation Is More Than Just Our Knowledge of God**

*"You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe - and shudder!"*

-James 2:19

- b. **Salvation Is More Than Just Our Activity For God**

3. **Good News: There Is A Path That Leads to Heaven**