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## Tree And Fruit - 11/3/19

## **OVERVIEW**

We live in a world where it is getting harder and harder to know who to trust. Do we trust the media or the news? Can we trust the government or the justice system? Let's get a little more personal. Should we trust the people we work with or the leaders directly over us? Today we'll talk about how to know what to look for in a spiritual leader you can trust.

Scripture: Matthew 7:15-20 (ESV); Ephesians 4:11-13 (NIV)

## **APPLICATION**

- Who has been a good leader in your life? What did you see in him/her that made you think of them as a good leader?
- Without using names, tell about a leader in your life who was untrustworthy. What was it about them that made you leary of trusting?
- Have you had an experience that made you skeptical about trusting others? Where do you need to forgive, so that you can begin trusting again?
- We are all called to have people in our lives who can spiritually lead us and who are farther
  along in the spiritual journey than us. Is there a change in your life that needs to happen to
  either remove a leader in your life who is untrustworthy or to add trustworthy authority?
- HOMEWORK: Reflect on your own life and determine what kind of fruit you are currently producing. Read Galatians 5:22-23 (the Fruit of the Spirit of God) and ask God to help you make sure that you are producing Fruit that comes from Him.