



“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!”

Matthew 7:24-27
NRSV

“Building on a Firm Foundation”

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As Christians, we come from a long line of people who have devoted themselves to _____.

Today, the average American household has _____ Bibles.

Simply hearing, and not obeying, what Jesus says is _____ to the life of a radical Christ follower.

UnChristian: For young people outside the church today, _____ of them know a Christian. Yet, only _____ see a lifestyle change.

Reflection: “Can the people around me tell that I follow Jesus?”

The early Methodists’ question: “Did the _____ live in me today?”

The House Built on Sand

1) The house built on sand still _____ the words of Jesus.

2) The house built on sand doesn’t _____ or _____.

3) The house built on sand is characterized by _____.

Our ways lead to sinking sand. God’s ways lead to solid rock.

#1Cfridays

“Fleeting Foundations:” a) foundations that look _____ one day but soon crumble, b) any foundation _____ Christ Himself.

For me, the most tempting foundation to build upon is _____.

The House Built on Rock

1) The house built on rock still _____ the words of Jesus.

2) The house built on the rock does _____ and _____.

The difference between the two houses isn’t hearing the words of Jesus. The difference is how they _____.

3) The house built on rock is characterized by _____.

Spiritual wisdom, while concerned with the inner thoughts, is also greatly concerned with one’s _____.

A life lived on the rock is the _____ and _____ life one can find. Life that is truly life begins on the rock. Psalm 119:1-2

Action Steps

1) B B4 P: _____.

2) Read Matthew _____ this week.

3) Pray about signing up to volunteer at Vacation Bible School.

4) Ask yourself, “How _____ do I take the words of Jesus?”

Jesus in Luke 11:28: “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.”