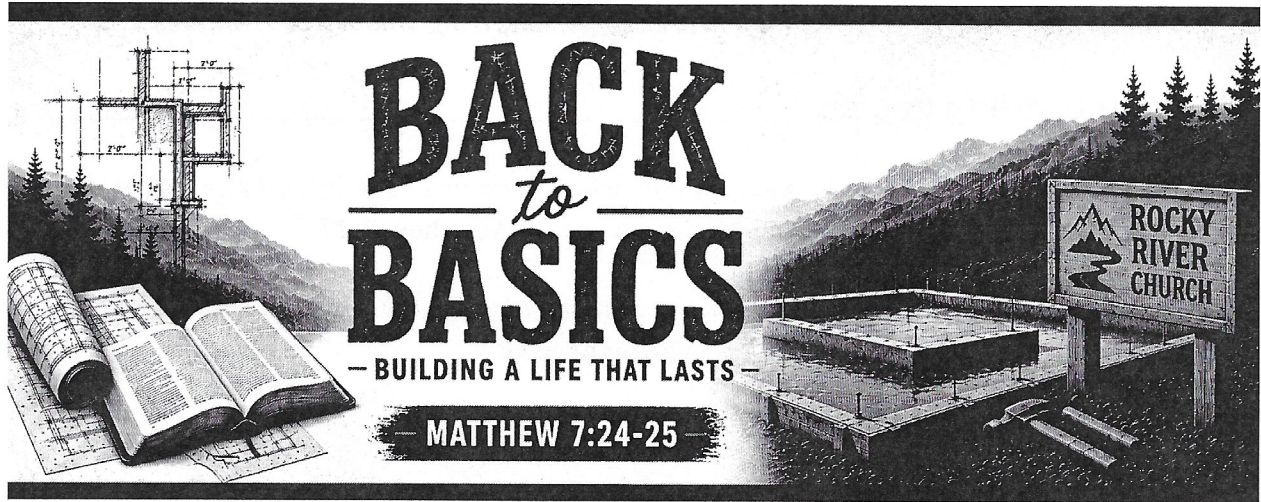




BUILDING MY LIFE ON A FIRM FOUNDATION

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FOCUS TEXT – MATTHEW 7:24-27 (ESV)

²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

FOUR TRUTHS ABOUT BUILDING A LIFE THAT LASTS:

#1. Every life has a _____.

MEMORY VERSE:

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” -Matthew 7:24

#2. Every foundation will be _____.

“And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.” -Matthew 7:25

Jesus said, *“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.” -John 16:33*

#3. Every builder must make a _____.

“And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.” -Matthew 7:26

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." -James 1:22

#4. Every building has an _____.

"And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it." -Matthew 7:27

*"For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."
-1 Corinthians 3:11*

MY NEXT STEPS:

☐ Memorize this week's **Memory Verse – Matthew 7:24**

☐ I will spend **10 minutes** each day in God's Word – by reading one chapter of the **Gospel of Matthew** each day. Start with:

- Monday – Matthew 1
- Tuesday – Matthew 2
- Wednesday – Matthew 3
- Thursday – Matthew 4
- Friday – Matthew 5
- Saturday – Matthew 6

☐ This week I will honestly **evaluate the foundation** I'm building my life on by asking:

1. What foundation am I building on? Success? Comfort? Money? My own strength? Or on Jesus Christ?
2. What has the most recent storm revealed about the foundation of my life?
3. What has Jesus already told me to do that I haven't done? Is it to forgive someone, trust God with your finances, begin reading His Word, join a group, serve someone, or surrender my life completely to Christ

Scripture: **Psalm 139:23–24**

NEXT WEEK @ ROCKY RIVER CHURCH:

WHAT IT MEANS TO REALLY BE A FOLLOWER OF JESUS CHRIST

