

WHAT IS YOUR FOUNDATION??

CORINTH YOUTH- MATURITY

KEY 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**

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON• **Hearing vs. Doing (Matt 7:21-23):**

Not everyone who says to Jesus 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who **does the WILL of the Father**. True salvation is reliant on the work of Jesus on the cross, not anything we muster up ourselves!

• **Two Builders (Matt 7:24-27):**

Wise Builder: Builds on the Rock. Rain falls, floods come, winds blow—the house stands firm.

Foolish Builder: Builds on sand. When the storm hits, the house falls with a great crash.

• **What is the Father's WILL? (John 6:40):**

'That everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life.'

THE FAULTY FOUNDATION

Beware the 'I, Me, and My' Foundation:

1. Selfish Pursuits: Mislabeling personal gain or self-centered desires as honoring God.

2. Works-Based 'Faith': “Did I not prophesy... Did I not cast out devils... Did I... Did I... Did I...” Notice the subject in the sentence of those who rely on their own works.

3. Leaving Out the Cross: Trying to build spiritual life while leaving Jesus' work on the cross out of the picture.

3 KEYS TO A FIRM FOUNDATION

1. Trust Christ's Work, Not Your Own

Put your faith completely in Jesus' work on the cross rather than your own deeds or efforts. (v. 22)

2. Trust & Obey His Wisdom

Choose God's wisdom and direction over your own desires and self-reliance. (v. 24)

3. Walk in Confidence

When your faith is in Christ and you seek His wisdom, walk boldly in the confidence of the cross! (John 6:40)

WHAT WILL YOU BUILD YOUR FOUNDATION ON? The Cross or your works?

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