

ALL UMBRELLAS ARE NOT CREATED EQUAL – WHAT IS YOUR FOUNDATION

Introduction:

Teachings of Christ and His Apostles.

The Holy Scriptures

THE TWO HOUSES

Matthew 7:24-27 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: (25) and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

(26) "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: (27) and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

A) Both wise and foolish had something in common:

1. They were building a house.
2. They both heard the word of God.
3. They both had storms.

Just because you may have something in common with someone **does not mean they are like you and you are like them.**

THREE TREES

Matthew 7:17-20 (17) Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. (18) A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. (19) Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

Three Trees just because they are all trees....

Good fruit – Bad Fruit – No Fruit

(20) Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

DIFFERENCES

A) **Diifference 1 - TO DO OR NOT TO DO**

1 . Matthew 7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and **does them, I will liken him to a wise man**

2. Matthew 7:26 "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and **does not do them, will be like a foolish man**

The difference between the wise and the foolish is not the hearing but the doing:

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

B) Difference 2 - Where they built....

1. Matthew 7:24 ..I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

Luke 6:48who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock....

2. Matthew 7:26 will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand:

What you do with what you heard determines what your foundation is:

1 Corinthians 3:9-14 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. (10) According to the grace of God

which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. **But let each one take heed how he builds on it. (11) For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. (12) Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, (13) each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. (14) If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward.**

THE TEST – THE STORM

FOOLISH - FIRST

Matthew 7:27 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

WISE

Matthew 7:25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded

on the rock. Luke 6:48 **the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock.**

****Storms: Are not always external...

Summary:

- A) Hearing only v. Hearing and doing**
- B) What is your foundation**
- C) The storms will come**
- D) Where will you be when they come**

Matthew 16:15-18 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" (16) Simon Peter answered and said, **"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."** (17) Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. (18) And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on **this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.**