

**Foundation for Life**  
**Matthew 7:13-29**

On what foundation are you building your life?

- I. Two kinds of comfort
  - A. Narrow vs. wide gate (v. 13-14; Acts 14:22)
  - B. The message of false prophets (v. 15-20; Jer. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:3)
  - C. Earthly vs. heavenly comfort (2 Cor. 6:10)
- II. Two kinds of success
  - A. The danger of success (v. 21-23)
  - B. Faithfulness vs. outcomes (v. 24; Luke 10:20)
- III. Two futures
  - A. The storm of God's judgment (v. 24-27)
  - B. The foundation of Jesus' words (v. 24; Isa. 28:16)

**Application Guide:**

1. What earthly discomfort are you enduring? How is Jesus comforting you in the midst of this? What messages or influences push you away from Jesus towards seeking earthly comfort?
2. Are you building your life on faithfulness to Jesus or are you building your life on outcomes? How do you know? What kind of behaviors do these different foundations produce?
3. Are you a hearer and doer of Jesus' words in the Sermon on the Mount? What words of Jesus do you struggle to act upon?