SING A NEW SONG Part 5: How Firm a Foundation

Objective: To encourage us to engage the Word of God more regularly and on deeper level.

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who <u>built his house on the rock</u>. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet<u>it did not fall</u>, because it had its <u>foundation on the rock</u>. 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who <u>built his house on sand</u>. 27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it <u>fell with a great crash</u>."

Matthew 7:24-27

- Foundations are critical. Whether it's your house or your life, a solid foundation is a must if it's going to last. What are some of the common foundations people in our culture build their lives upon?
- Can you recount a time when you or someone you know experienced pain and/or difficulty that shook your faith?
- The pastor said that the Word of God (the Bible) is the only foundation we can build on that will not fail when our lives are shaken. What makes the Bible such a solid foundation?
- Do you believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God? Why or why not? If you believe it is the Word of God, how well do you put it into practice? (In other words, do you actually obey what scripture teaches us?)
- If you don't already, what can you do to be better at building your life on the foundation of God's Word?

Consider this week:

 What are one or two actions you can take to begin making the Bible more a part of your life than it currently is?

Final Thought: God gave us the Bible because he loves us and wants the best for us. Building our life on the truth of Scripture is the only way to stay standing when the storms of life come our way.

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