

Matthew 7:24-27 “Every one then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on the house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 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.”

CONSIDER THE COMPARISONS BETWEEN THE TWO BUILDERS:

1. Both heard the words of Christ
2. Both built houses
3. Both built in the same location
4. Both built similar houses

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 “For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”

Romans 10:9 “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.”

CONSIDER THE CONTRASTS BETWEEN THE TWO BUILDERS:

1. Human philosophy
2. Human wisdom
3. Opinions
4. Religious achievement

Luke 9:57-62 “And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head. And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God. And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house. And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God...”



- A large outcropping of rocks; bedrock
- A large foundational stone

Matthew 16:16-18 “He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

1 John 2:3-6 “And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.”

Acts 4:12 “And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”

Acts 6:31 “They said, “Believe in the LORD Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”

1 Corinthians 3:11 “Each mans work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each mans work.”

CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES

“and great was the fall of it.” (**Matthew 7:27**)

Great — Violent, Mighty, Strong

Fall — That many may fall and bring upon themselves ruin

1 John 5:12 “Whoever has the SON has life; whoever does not have the SON of God does not have life.”



- You can join the church and still go to Hell.
- You can be baptized and still go to Hell.
- You can be a “good person” (at least in the eyes of other people) and still go to Hell.
- You can build you house on religion and still go to Hell.
- You can build your house on atheism, human wisdom, human philosophies, and anything else you can name, and you will still die and go to Hell.

Everybody is building a spiritual house. **Regardless of what you do to the house you are building, what matters the most is the foundation.** Be SURE you are building on Jesus Christ and the Gospel.

