Sermon Series: Built Different Today's Sermon: Firm Foundation

**Text:** Matthew 7:24–27

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Matthew 7:24, "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

Bottom Line: Where you build is more important than what you build.

# I. What's below is more important than what's above. (vv. 24–27)

- Every life is built on something comfort, control, or <u>Christ</u>.
- Hearing God's Word gives **information**; practicing it creates **transformation**.
- The deeper your <u>foundation</u>, the stronger your <u>structure</u>.

When your foundation is **firm**, your future is **secure**.

## II. The Storm Reveals the Strength of the Structure.

- Storms don't **discriminate** they hit every **house**.
- Storms don't create <u>weakness</u> they <u>expose</u> it.
- The same storm that <u>breaks</u> one house shows the <u>strength</u> of another.

Faith that's tested through adversity becomes faith that lasts through eternity.

#### III. The Wise Build to Last.

- When the design **fails**, it's usually the result of a **faulty** foundation.
- What we build fast rarely lasts.
- Every act of obedience pours <u>concrete</u> on the <u>foundation</u> of your faith.

You don't build depth in a day. You build it daily.

### Application:

- Check your foundation before you chase your ambitions.
- Do one small thing this week that will strengthen your foundation tomorrow.
- Build consistency, not just intensity.

#### Reflection:

- What are you currently building your life on—comfort, control, or Christ?
- How have recent "storms" revealed the strength (or weakness) of your foundation?

•	What's one area where you need to stop hearing and start practicing what Jesus said?