

SERIES: The Sermon on the Mount

MESSAGE: "Saying No to a Superficial Faith"

TEXT: Matthew 7:21-29

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Introduction:

1. A genuine faith consists of more than merely _____ to know Jesus (vv.21-23).

Matthew 7:21-23: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²²On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' ²³And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

| TWO CLAIMS | TWO LIFESTYLES | TWO DESTINATIONS |
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| Claim #1: 'Lord, Lord' (v.21). 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy, cast out demons and do many mighty works in your name?' (v.22) | Does not do the will of the Father. | Will not enter kingdom. <i>Will hear 'I never knew you, depart from me, you workers of lawlessness'</i> |
| Claim #2: 'Lord, Lord' (v.21) | Does the will of the Father | Will enter the kingdom. |

2. A genuine faith consists of more than merely _____ the words of Jesus (vv.24-27).

Matthew 7:24-27 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷And 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."

| TWO BUILDERS & TWO FOUNDATIONS | TWO LIFESTYLES | TWO DESTINATIONS |
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| Wise builder who builds on rock | Hears & obeys Jesus. | House stands during storm. |
| Foolish builder who builds on sand | Hears & does not obey Jesus. | House falls during storm. |

Conclusion: