

Jesus
My Firm Foundation

Matthews's Claim

1) Geneology

14 generations between Abraham to David,
14 generations from David to the Exile, and
14 generations from the Exile until Jesus.

Jesus begins the 7th seven. The Year of Jubilee

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2) Fulfilled Prophecy

- Born to a virgin, (Isaiah 7:14)
- Born in Bethlehem, (Micah 5:2)
- Called out of Egypt (Numbers 24:8)
- Grow up in Nazareth
- Ministry in Galilee (Isaiah 9: 1-2)

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3) Jesus is a new Israel

- Comes out of Egypt
- Baptized in the Water
- 40 Days in the Wilderness

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4) Jesus claimed the Kingdom had arrived.

“Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven has come near.” (Matt. 4:17)

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5) Jesus is a New Moses

- He went up on the Mountain to give the Law.
- He came to fulfill the law. (Matt 5: 17)
- “But I say to you...”

28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, 29 because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. (Matt. 7: 28-29)

5 blocks of Teaching in Matthew

1) Sermon on the Mount - (Ch 5-7)

When Jesus had finished saying these things... (7:28)

2) Instructions to Disciples about their Mission (Ch 10)

After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples... (11:1)

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3) Parables (Ch 13)

When Jesus had finished these parables...(13:53)

4) Teaching about the new Community (Kingdom) (Ch 18)

When Jesus had finished saying these things...(19:1)

5) Warnings to those who don't listen (Ch 23-25)

When Jesus had finished saying *all* these things...(26:1)

Matthew 7: 24 - 27

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. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

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26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

1) The only firm foundation is Jesus

Only thing that matters: He/She
lives for Jesus.

Is everything else shaped by this
fact?

2) It is possible to think your foundation is solid when it is not.

3) Those who follow Jesus
embrace His teaching - ALL of it.

4) Storms will reveal your
foundation

5) Storms are coming.

6) If your foundation is Jesus,
you will not fall.

Is Jesus my Foundation?