



**“Your Life: Rock Solid or a Sand Castle?”**

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- Jesus is speaking to religious people – Pharisees, Sadducees, scribes and their followers.

**“Lord”** – κυριος - master, owner, supreme authority, sovereign.

- Repeating the title is used for emphasis, usually to get the attention of someone.

**Gen 22:11**

11 But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, **"Abraham, Abraham!"** And he said, "Here I am."

**Gen 46:2**

2 God spoke to Israel in visions of the night and said, **"Jacob, Jacob."** And he said, "Here I am."

**Ex 3:4**

4 When the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, **"Moses, Moses!"** And he said, "Here I am."

**1 Sam 3:10**

10 Then the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, **"Samuel Samuel!"** And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

**2 Sam 18:33**

33 The king was deeply moved and went up to the chamber over the gate and wept. And thus he said as he walked, **"O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom!"**

**Luke 10:41**

41 But the Lord answered and said to her, **"Martha, Martha,** you are worried and bothered about so many things;

**Matt 27:46**

46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, **"ELI, ELI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?"** that is, **"MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?"**

**Matt 23:37**

37 **"Jerusalem, Jerusalem,** who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her!

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- So what does Jesus say?

**Obey the gospel:**

**Repent**

**Acts 17:30**

30 "Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should **repent,**

**Confess**

**Rom 10:9**

9 that if you **confess** with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

**Believe**

**Acts 16:31**

31 They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved,

**Receive**

**John 1:12**

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God,

**Matt 12:50**

50 "For whoever **does the will** of My Father who is in heaven, he is My brother and sister and mother."

**Luke 11:28**

28 But He said, "On the contrary, blessed are those who hear the word of God and **observe** it."

**John 13:17**

17 "If you know these things, you are blessed **if you do them**."

**John 14:15**

15 "If you love Me, you will **keep My commandments**."

**John 14:24**

24 "He who does not love Me **does not keep** My words;

**John 15:14**

14 "You are My friends if you **do what I command** you."

**1 John 2:3**

3 By this we know that we have come to know Him, if **we keep His commandments**."

**Matt 7:21-23**

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22 "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?'

23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.'"

**Isa 29:13**

13 Then the Lord said,  
"Because this people draw near with their words  
And honor Me with their lip service,  
But they remove their hearts far from Me,  
And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned by rote,

**Ezek 33:31**

31 "They come to you as people come, and sit before you as My people and hear your words, but they do not do them,"

**Matt 15:8-9**

8 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS,  
BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME.  
9 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME,  
TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN.'"

**John 3:36**

36 "He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

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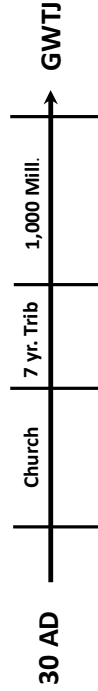
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- You can talk all of the God talk you want, you can have a very extensive religious vocabulary, you can call yourself a disciple of Jesus, but if you do not obey what Jesus says, you will end up in hell.
- You can think Jesus is a great teacher, a wise man, a wonderful, inspiring speaker, a phenomenal miracle worker, a powerful healer, one who stirs the emotions, but if you do not obey Him, it is all worthless and you will end up in hell.
- If you do not abandon Pharisaicalism, if you do not declare spiritual bankruptcy, if you do not see yourself as a prisoner to sin and blind to the truth, then Jesus says I am not your Lord and you will end up in hell.

"Lord, Lord".....>"Lord, Lord"



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Hinduism  
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Note: 3 characteristics of every true believer -

1. **They come to Him.**

**John 6:37**

37 "All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out.

2. **They hear His words.**

**John 5:24**

24 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

3. **They Obey Him.**

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**2 Thess 1:7-8**

7 when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire,

8 dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

**James 1:22**

22 But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

*It is not the perfection of your life but the direction of your life.*

*What is the direction of your life?*



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- The house here represents a person's life. We are all building a house.

- What is your life built on?

#### **Builder # 1**

1. He digs deep.
2. He lays his foundation on solid rock. House materials are not mentioned. House may look like any other house. This is all about the foundation.
3. Torrential rains come and beat against his house.
4. House stood firm and did not crumble.
5. Why? Because of the foundation (i.e. what the house is anchored to.)

#### **Spiritual Application**

1. Spiritual Builder #1 goes to the trouble to anchor his life to something solid – the Lord Jesus Christ. He understands he needs a solid foundation. He will do whatever it takes. He searches. He finds. He obeys the gospel. He embraces Christ as Lord and Savior.
2. The storms of life come – sickness, disease, unemployment, poverty, death of a loved one, a crises. Future judgment comes but there is no fear.
3. His life is stable, secure, and safe in the arms of His Savior.

#### **1 Cor 3:11**

- 11 For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.



#### **1 Sam 2:2**

- 2 "There is no one holy like the Lord, Indeed, there is no one besides You, Nor is there any rock like our God.

#### **2 Sam 22:2-3**

- 2 The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer;
- 3 My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

#### **Ps 95:1**

O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord,  
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

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#### **Builder #2**

1. Has same desire to build a house as builder #1.
2. Uses same material.
3. No digging, no foundation. Right on the sand.
4. Torrential rains come and beat against his house.
5. House collapses and is destroyed.



### **Spiritual Application**

1. Spiritual Builder #2 represents a religious life.
2. He builds his life right on the superficial lies and deception of religion - rituals, repetitious prayers, idols, penance, Mass, infant baptism, Mary, prayers to the saints, prayers to and for the dead, attending services, ceremonies, fasting, etc.
3. There is no excavation to uncover the truth. After all, he's loving life. He's got everything in place.
4. The storms of life come. His life falls apart. His life is shaken. His world collapses. He has no security. His religion, like a sand castle, disappears in the waters of divine judgment.
5. Future judgment comes. He stands before the Judge of the universe on Judgment Day to give account for his life, and his religious cries of "Lord", "Lord" fall empty in a courtroom where a voice says, "I never knew you, depart from me."



My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' Name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

“Why would people build a house without a foundation? Perhaps they want to save time and avoid the hard work of preparing a stone foundation. Possibly because the waterfront scenery is more attractive or because beach houses have higher social status than cliff houses. Perhaps because they want to join their friends who have already settled in sandy areas. For some reason people who build their lives on weak foundations assume that disaster can't happen to them. When God judges each person's life, only those who have built on Jesus and his teaching will stand the test. Obedience is the only flood insurance you need.”

- Bruce Barton

The forecast is that there is a 100 percent chance of a flood hitting your life in the near future. In light of that forecast, now is the time to check your foundation.