

# "WHAT'S YOUR FOUNDATION?"

Series: "LIVING FROM THE INSIDE OUT", Part 19 of 19 Sunday, November 5, 2023, at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Text: Matthew 7:24-29

Big Idea: Just as the foundation is the most important part of any house, so to build our life on the solid rock of Jesus Christ as our Lord is the most important decision we will ever make.

Matthew 7:24-27, "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. 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. 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. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

#### I. WHAT THESE BUILDERS HAVE IN COMMON.

### 1. They're both building a house.

#### **DECISIONS DETERMINE DESTINY!**

Matthew 5:25a, "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court."

Matthew 5:37a, "Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'."

Matthew 5:44b, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Matthew 6:1, "Be careful not to do your 'acts of righteousness' before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven."

Matthew 6:20a, "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven."

Matthew 7:13a, "Enter through the narrow gate."

#### **DECISIONS DETERMINE DESTINY!**

# 2. They both face a storm.

Matthew 25a, 27a, "The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house."

Psalm 88:18, "You have taken my companions and loved ones from me; the darkness is my closest friend."

## II. WHAT THESE BUILDERS DO NOT HAVE IN COMMON.

### 1. Their foundations are different.

James 1:22, "Don't merely listen to the word and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

## 2. The future welfare of their houses is very different.

What foundation am I building my life on?