

LISTEN AND OBEY

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A strong life is built not on hearing Jesus' words—but obeying them.

24 *“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*

25 *And 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.*

26 *And 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.*

27 *And 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.”* Matthew 7:24–27

1) EVERYONE HEARS—NOT EVERYONE OBEYS

“Everyone who hears these words of mine...” Matthew 7:24a

“Do not merely listen to the word... and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.”

James 1:22

2) OBEDIENCE BUILDS A STRONG FOUNDATION

“...is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” Matthew 7:24b

3) STORMS REVEAL WHAT YOU'VE BUILT ON

“The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew...” Matthew 7:25a

Jesus says:

“...great was the fall of it.” Matthew 7:27

4) OBEDIENCE IS THE EVIDENCE OF FOLLOWING JESUS

“If you love me, you will keep my commands.” John 14:15

5) YOUR NEXT STEP MATTERS MORE THAN TODAY'S SERMON