

Luke 6 pt 6 vs. 46-49 (ESV)

46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? 47 Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: 48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. 49 But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

1. In our last study, we looked at:
 - a. **Hands, eyes, lips**
 - i) Hands that bring down judgment
 - ii) Eyes that need to see clearly first before correcting others
 - iii) Lips that reveal what is in the heart

I. Salvation

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1. Jesus became very popular very fast as He cast out demons, healed the sick, preached Words with authority and loved the sinners...
 - a. Many followed and admired Him
2. Jesus is speaking to them
 - a. He already gave them challenging words
 - i) Love your enemies
 - ii) Do not judge, lest you be judged
 - iii) Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks
3. **We mentioned last time that**
 - a. These are not rules or commands for us to follow per se

- b. It's not a list of things to do to become a disciple
 - c. They describe the attitude of a disciple
 - i) This is the mirror that we look at to see where we are
 - ii) What Jesus will form us into
4. "Why do you call me Lord Lord and not do the things which I say?"
5. Lord = kýrios = Master, Owner, Supreme, Sovereign, Possessor of power
6. **It is a title that expresses relationship of a master & his servant**
- a. In their day, Caesar would be called lord
 - b. To believers, Jesus is called Lord
 - c. So if I say: "He is Lord", then I am also saying: "I am His slave"
7. If you call Him lord... then you are His servant
- a. Meaning you will do what He says - no questions asked!
 - b. Opposition to His will is a denial of His Lordship in my life
 - c. My place is that of complete & total obedience to His commands
 - d. That is what it means to confess that Jesus is Lord
 - e. To yield myself to obey His commands
8. If He is the Lord, then that means that He is the master over your life
- a. If you tell Him that you are not going to do something, you are taking lordship over your own life
 - b. Putting self on the throne!!!!
 - c. So to confess Jesus as my Lord means that He is on the throne of my life

- d. I am submitted & yielded to Him
- e. A mere professed acknowledgment of His lordship is not enough.
 - i) True love and faith involve obedience

9. **Vs. 46** indicates that there are some people who are deceived as to their relationship to Jesus

- a. They call Him Lord but He really wasn't
- b. This is a dangerous and scary thing for a person who thinks they're a believer
 - i) To actively attend church
 - ii) Be involved in ministry
 - iii) Hold a leadership position... and not be saved

10. **Matt. 7:22 -23** Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness

- a. There will be many who will be deceived into thinking that because they've said a prayer, that they're ok
- b. Because they cleaned up their act a bit, they're ok
- c. Because they went to church, they're ok
- d. Because they served or gave..., they're ok

11. **Matt. 15:8** 'These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. 9 And in vain they worship Me...

- a. This is just lip service and going through the motions
- b. It's easy to follow the rituals but not be committed to the Lord

12. THE ONE WHO SEES EVERYTHING is speaking,
 - a. We need to take notice, **this is important**

13. **Why do you call me Lord Lord and not do what I tell you?**
 - a. The rabbis said that the doubling of a name shows affection
 - b. A way of showing Jesus much honor and respect
 - c. They use the correct language but do not obey Him

14. Having eternal life comes to **those who come to Me** (vs. 47)
 - a. By grace through faith
 - b. The evidence that they are saved is that they**
 - i) **Hear my words** (receive instruction)
 - ii) **Do them** (obedience)

15. We don't obey Jesus out of fear that God will get angry as a Caesar would, but He's giving lifesaving instructions that need to be followed.
 - a. Much like a firefighter gives instructions to someone in a burning building to save them.
 - b. Ignoring the instructions will bring disaster
 - c. This is not optional living for those who like religion
 - i) This is life and death because destruction is coming

16. **Why would a servant not listen to his master?**
 - a. Maybe he thinks that he knows better than his master
 - b. Or he doesn't really know or trust Him

17. **One of the marks of salvation is walking in obedience to the Lord**

II. Foundation

1. Using an illustration of 2 foundations, Jesus makes the point clear
2. A disciples following Jesus is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock.
3. Houses speak of REST / COMFORT / & SECURITY
4. He's not giving us good suggestions to live by & we either take it or leave it
 - a. **This is security for today and for eternity**
 - b. We like security
 - c. That's why we lock our doors at night
 - i) Drive safe vehicles
 - ii) Live in safe homes...
 - d. No reasonable person looks for harm.
 - e. Everyone wants to find rest, comfort & security
 - f. Both the wise & foolish man seem to want the same thing
5. On the outside, the houses look exactly the same
 - a. The diff is not an obvious one - it is subtle, below the surface!
6. The difference is in the foundation
 - a. One house had a strong - foundation the other house didn't.
 - b. True Christians and the unbelievers are not always easy to distinguish
 - c. What is below the surface is what counts and will stand the test of time

7. Wise man the 1st builder dug deep and laid the foundation on ROCK."
8. Foolish builder did not dig at all
 - a. In other words he did not take the time to lay a foundation
 - b. **Petra (rock) means a large part of bedrock.**
 - i) That which is solid, stable, and unmovable.
9. Sand is loose, unstable, and extremely movable.
 - a. The sand speaks to us of the passing fads & trends of our society
 - b. The person who is trying to build their life by focusing only on the appearance
 - i) No deep searching of the heart is involved
10. **The foolish builder is in a hurry.**
11. He is only interested in the immediate and the short term
 - a. He wants everything right now.
 - b. "Don't worry about the long term"
 - c. Many people today do the same because they are so interested immediate satisfaction - they ignore - God's word
 - d. **They live for today**
 - i) With no vision of tomorrow
 - ii) No thought of eternity
 - iii) These are foolish
12. A flood came and beat against both houses

- a. Jesus is giving us life and death scenarios because He is the original designer
- b. He's giving the antidote for the problem of sin that was introduced back in the garden

13. A flood is coming and its powerful enough to bring destruction

- a. The only way to survive is to build on a secure foundation

14. But the "wise builder" may have said something like:

- a. "I don't know anything about how to build a house."
- b. "I'm going to ask someone who knows about building houses."
- c. He says I want an experienced builder who can read the PLANS & BLUE PRINTS.
- d. **It's interesting that Jesus was born into a family of a carpenter.**
- e. Building things is His specialty.
- f. How wise it is to find the right person to do the job

15. God is the author of life

- a. He created this world and suspended it on nothing.
- b. He knows how to build you a home built on a solid foundation
- c. He READS the blueprints. He designed them

16. Digging deep is our role to play

- a. Digging deep is referring to a person searching their own heart and getting to the base of where they are
- b. "I've heard Jesus teach that 'blessed are those who are poor in spirit'"

- i) "I didn't think I was poor in Spirit – I need to search my heart"
- c. "I've heard Him say, 'forgive others'"
 - i) "I can't really do that – I need to search my heart"
- d. "I've heard that I need to be holy like God is holy"
 - i) "I can't be holy – I need to dig deep and realize that I'm a wretched sinner"
- e. Digging deep is searching my heart and allowing the light of the Holy Spirit to shine on the dark areas of my life until I come to the end of myself and realize;
 - i) "I am lost without God"
- f. Crying out to Jesus and inviting Him into any and all areas is wisdom
 - i) Because He already see's everything

17. If a person claims to be saved, but has no hunger for God's Word, no growing hatred of sin, and no growth in godly living, he needs to examine whether he is truly in the faith (2 Cor. 13:5). (**Cole**)

- a. It's here that I request that Jesus builds me a house.
 - i) This is the wise thing to do
- b. **Psalm 127** Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain.
- c. **Psalm 16:1** The preparations of the heart belong to man: but the answer of the tongue is from the LORD

18. **I have a role**

- a. To prepare my heart and hand over the keys

19. **Jesus has a role**

- a. To build a house on a solid foundation
20. The rain and storms are imminent
21. storms are not all bad
- a. They help us know where our foundation is
22. If your life IS NOT built upon the Lord Jesus Christ and His words then your life has NO FOUNDATION.
23. Coming to Jesus is acknowledging His sovereignty over your life
- a. Hearing Him is listening to what He's saying
 - b. Doing it is obedience
24. If you ONLY HEAR the words of Jesus, you will be like the "foolish man" who "built his house earth without a foundation."
25. Notice the consequences of the foolish man
- a. "And great was its fall." "And the ruin of that house was great."
26. This is the sad case of a life built without the foundation of Jesus Christ!!
- a. HERE and in ETERNITY.
27. HERE: You can be sure that in the world you will have tribulation
- a. Your life will have storms
28. Your foundation will determine whether or not you will come through in one piece
29. Maybe even now your life is being battered by storms:
- a. Family problems.... Financial problems... Relationships.... Addictions
 - b. And your house is FALLING APART!!

c. Who is your foundation?

30. The life built upon Jesus Christ STAYS IN TACT.....
 - a. You will stand thru the storm & you will stand in ETERNITY

31. But if your life is built w/out Christ, everything that you've lived for is going to be lost and you will enter ETERNITY with nothing... without God

32. The Master Carpenter is here today and ready to dig with you

33. He wants you to reach the Rock foundation and build you a house