



Sunday Worship 3-27-22  
Sermon Series: NEXT—4

A series based on the Sermon on the Mount that Jesus gave and His examples of choices we have to make in our lives.

Scripture Text:

Matthew 7:24-29

(Jesus teaching) 24 “Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: 25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. 26 “But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: 27 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall.” 28 And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, 29 for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

FOUR THINGS JESUS TEACHES TO BE ACTIVE IN OUR DAILY LIVES:

- He teaches us how to \_\_\_\_\_:

Matthew 6:5-15 “And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. 7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. 8 “Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. 9 In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. 13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. 14 “For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

FOUR THINGS JESUS TEACHES TO BE ACTIVE IN OUR DAILY LIVES:

- He teaches us to lay up \_\_\_\_\_ in Heaven:

Matthew 6:19-21 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

FOUR THINGS JESUS TEACHES TO BE ACTIVE IN OUR DAILY LIVES:

- He teaches us to realize the \_\_\_\_\_ is the lamp of the body:

Matthew 6:22-23 “The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. 23 But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

FOUR THINGS JESUS TEACHES TO BE ACTIVE IN OUR DAILY LIVES:

- He teaches us not to \_\_\_\_\_:

Matthew 6:25-34 “Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? 28 “So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; 29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not

much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 “Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

#### ARE YOU BUILDING YOUR LIFE ON THE SAYINGS OF JESUS?

##### CHOICE 1

1. \_\_\_\_\_ them.
  - a. Matthew 7:24a Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine...
  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ them.
  - a. Matthew 7:24b ... and does them...
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ on them.
  - a. Matthew 7:24c ... I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock...
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ on them.
  - a. Matthew 7:25a ... and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house...
  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ on them.
  - a. Matthew 7:25b ... and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

#### ARE YOU BUILDING YOUR LIFE ON THE SAYINGS OF JESUS?

##### CHOICE 2

1. \_\_\_\_\_ them.
  - a. Matthew 7:26a But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine...
  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ them.
  - a. Matthew 7:26b ...and does not do them...
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ on themselves.
  - a. Matthew 7:26c ...will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand...
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ on themselves.
  - a. Matthew 7:27a ...and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house...
  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ on themselves.
  - a. Matthew 7:27b ... and it fell. And great was its fall.

TAKEAWAYS FROM JESUS' PARABLE OF BUILDING ON SOLID OR SHAKY FOUNDATION:

1. Realize that sand is \_\_\_\_\_ crushed by \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom.
  - a. Matthew 7:26 "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand:
  - b. Ephesians 5:15-17 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, 16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

TAKEAWAYS FROM JESUS' PARABLE OF BUILDING ON SOLID OR SHAKY FOUNDATION:

2. Applying the wisdom of Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.
  - a. Matthew 7:28-29 And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, 29 for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.
  - c. Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

Conclusion:

The choices you make will help you stand or cause you to fall!

Reflection:

What is NEXT for you?