

## Matthew 7:24-27

### Two Builders, Two Foundations

Jesus continues His contrasts of 2. There were 2 Gates, 2 Roads. There were 2 kinds of prophets. There were 2 ways of life. Today there are 2 builders and 2 types of foundations.

You'll notice there aren't 3, 5 or 10 builders, just 2. Just like there are only 2 religions in the world.....

Last Sunday was "the person who professes but does not \_\_\_ the will of the Father." The result of that life is the profession by Jesus, "I never knew you."

Today, Jesus reveals the person who hears and does not do. A person who professes Jesus but whose life doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ His character, will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

#### I. The Similarities of the Builders

They both \_\_\_\_\_. They both build \_\_\_\_\_. They probably both built in the same area. Both houses were probably \_\_\_\_\_ in looks.

Religious people generally look the same from the \_\_\_\_\_, apparently believing the same things, attending worship, reading their Bibles, etc. Jesus was offering a rebuke of the pharisees here. A group that wasn't concerned for the soul, wasn't

concerned about the purity of heart or even integrity. They were very concerned about the \_\_\_\_\_ but not about humble \_\_\_\_\_.

So, if this is true, what are the differences?

#### II. The Differences of the Builders

Right off, Jesus describes one builder as \_\_\_\_\_, the other as \_\_\_\_\_. The wise builder is one who hears, and is \_\_\_\_\_. This builder, Jesus says, builds his house (his life) on \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 16:16-18. *πετρος* *πετρα*

In the midst of all the weather falling upon this house, this house, built upon the rock, did not fall.

A genuine follower of Jesus Christ receives the LORD Jesus and continues in Him, hears the Word and does it. There's no profession of Jesus with their lips and a disavowal of Jesus with their lives. A profession of Jesus with your mouth, while abandoning Him with your life, is nothing but a \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus then moves to the person who is \_\_\_\_\_. It's the Greek word *μωρον*. (moron). A moron is someone who is dull or ignorant. This person might

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well be informed on other subjects but, regarding spiritual things, Jesus says one who hears and then ignores is moronic.

John Calvin “True piety is not fully distinguished from its counterfeit, until it comes to trial.” Your roof, for the most part, is fine as long as the sun is shining.

That person who didn’t experience conviction of sin, repentance or didn’t really ever understand redemption, what about him?

Was Jesus attempting to scare people into the kingdom?

So, what kind of builder are you?