

**Matthews Gospel "The Sermon On The Mount"**  
**"The Practice of Faith"**  
**Matthew 7:24-29**  
**Part-43**

Verses 21-23 Deception by way of lip service: (Verbal Profession)

Verses 24-27 Deception by way of knowledge: (Being in the know)

James 1:22

**Outline:**

1. The Two Builders:
2. The Two Foundations:
3. The Two Results:

**1. The Two Builders:**

Matthew 7:24

"Therefore that takes us back to Matthew 7:21-23 where Jesus comes to the closing statement on commitment.

5 - Similarities between the wise and the foolish builder.

1. Both were hearers.
2. Both wanted to build permanent houses.
3. Both looked the same.
4. Both built by a stream or a place that did flood.
5. Both under went the same storm.

Differences:

1. One acted upon His Words, the other disobeyed His Words.
2. One was called wise, and the other called foolish.

The Wise -

The wise has a faith in God that is demonstrated in obedience to Jesus and His word.

The Foolish – foolish – Greek word moro which we get our English “Moron”

Matthew 7:26

## **2. The Two Foundations:**

Matthew 7:24

Matthew 7:26

The Foundation on the Rock - built his house upon the rock. Is “obedience to the teachings of the word of God, hearing and putting into practice what Jesus said.”

Luke 6:46-49

Matthew 7:26

The Foundation of Sand -

There are a lot of reasons people give for disobedience to Gods Word!

I just don't have the time to build on the rock!

The Teachings of the Bible are too difficult to understand!

The Bible makes me feel uncomfortable!

Matthew 7:24

James 2:14

James 1:21-25

### **3. The Two Results:**

Verses - 25 and 27 are identical except for the out come. One stood, one fell.

"And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house;

Job 5:6-7

Numbers 11

2 Corinthians 1:8-10

The House on the Rock: Matthew 7:25 yet it did not fall, for it had been founded upon the rock.

The House on the Sand: Matthew 7:27 burst against that house; and it fell, and great was its fall."

The Response To The Sermon:

Matthew 7:28

1. Amazed At His Teaching: amazed at His teaching; amazed - Greek Lit – “to be driven out of one’s senses by sudden shock, to become speechless, or a loss for words.”

Matthew 7:29

2. Amazed At His Authority: authority – “power, permission, license, to do anything.”

**Application:**

1. Do we know Jesus Christ, or do we know the vocabulary?
2. Do we have a relationship with Jesus Christ, or are we riding on our heritage?
3. Is the fruit of the Spirit evident in my life?
4. Can the character of the kingdom be seen in me?
5. Is Jesus alive in my life?
6. Do I love Him?
7. Do I hear and obey, put into practice the Word.
8. Am I going deeper in Knowledge, in Word, Prayer, and Service?