

## Read Your Bible

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“And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you who practice lawlessness.’ Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock. Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.

The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell—and great was its fall.”

MATTHEW 7:23-27

How often do you let God’s Word be the foundation for your life? The lamp that lights your path, and what guides your thoughts, desires, goals and the planning of your day.

The Word of God is a blessing to us. It is our hope and truth; it is the rock on which we stand. Through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, darkness is pushed back with light; the brokenness of the world is no longer a stronghold in our lives. It is through the living and active Word of God that brings healing and restoration to our lives. When the storms of life come, it is the Word of God that we find refuge in.

Anyone who hears the Word and acts on it, is like a Wise man who built his house on the rock. But foolish is the man who hears the Words of God and does not act on them, for he is like a person who built his house on the sand. When the storms came and slammed against the house, it fell—and great was its fall.

Let me encourage you today, take inventory of your house: the foundation in which you stand. Is it built on the rock? Are you in God’s Word, meditating on it, letting it direct your path, or are you listening to the talking heads of our culture and finding your foundation weakening beneath you?

While it’s still called today, be in God’s Word. Set your feet upon the rock. May it be a natural rhythm of everyday to not just read your Bible, but act on it, walk in it, and encourage others around you with the promises and hope that it brings.