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Topic: Which Foundation?

Scripture text: Matthew 7:24-29

1. A wise man builds the foundation of his house upon a rock and it remained steadfast when rain and wind beat upon it. As Christians, our foundation is the Lord Jesus Christ and all aspects of our lives must be done by God's grace and for His glory. To have our foundation built upon Christ, we must first be very sure that we have received Jesus Christ as our Lord and our Saviour. Next, we must hunger and thirst for God's Word and receive it with our hearts. We must have the inward conviction to live a life that is fully surrendered to Him. Why do you follow the Lord? Our motivations reveal whether our foundation is on Christ or on the earthly things.

2. When our lives are built upon Christ and His Word, it will be evidenced by our character, the way we serve Him and the light of Christ will shine in all walks of our lives. Having the kingdom of God promised to us, we must thus lay up heavenly treasures and not earthly possessions.

3. Conversely, a foolish man is one who builds his house upon the sand, which is no sure foundation at all. When the rain and wind beat upon it, it was destroyed. The cause of it was its foundation. We must thus build our foundation on the unmovable Rock of Christ by ensuring our time, resources and priorities are directed to knowing and serving God. May we take up the cross of Christ daily and follow our Master regardless of circumstances.