



Therefore, everyone who hears what I say and obeys it will be like a wise person who built a house on rock. <sup>25</sup> Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and beat against that house. But it did not collapse, because its foundation was on rock. <sup>26</sup> “Everyone who hears what I say but doesn’t obey it will be like a foolish person who built a house on sand. <sup>27</sup> Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and struck that house. It collapsed, and the result was a total disaster.” <sup>28</sup> When Jesus finished... the crowds were amazed at his teachings. <sup>29</sup> Unlike their experts in Moses’ Teachings, he taught them with authority. **Matthew 7:24-29** GW

**1. THE STORY IS ABOUT TWO BUILDERS – I AM \_\_\_\_\_ ONE OF THEM.**

Therefore, everyone who hears what I say and obeys it will be like a wise person who built a house on rock **Matthew 7:24** GW

Don’t turn your back on wisdom, for she will protect you. Love her, and she will guard you.<sup>7</sup> Getting wisdom is the wisest thing you can do! Whatever else you do, develop good judgment. <sup>8</sup> If you prize wisdom, she will make you great. Embrace her, and she will honor you. **Proverbs 4:6-8** NLT

Everyone who hears what I say but doesn’t obey it will be like a foolish person who built a house on sand. **Matthew 7:26** GW

Fools utter nonsense, and their minds are preoccupied with evil; they regularly misrepresent the Eternal in what they say and do, Leaving true seekers frustrated and confused, the hungry with empty stomachs and the thirsty with parched mouths. **Isaiah 32:6** VOICE

**2. THE STORY IS ABOUT THE PRESSURES OF LIFE – I WILL \_\_\_\_\_ THEM.**

Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and beat against that house... **Matthew 7:25a** GW

Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and struck that house. **Matthew 7:27a** GW

- Jesus is a way \_\_\_\_\_ my problems not a way \_\_\_\_\_ them.
  - The rain descended - Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ me.
  - The winds blew - Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ me
  - The floods came up – Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ me.

**3. THE STORY IS ABOUT TWO OUTCOMES – I WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ONE OF THEM.**

Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and beat against that house. But it did not collapse, because its foundation was on rock. **Matthew 7:25** GW

Rain poured, and floods came. Winds blew and struck that house. It collapsed, and the result was a total disaster.” **Matthew 7:27a** GW

**4. THE STORY IS ABOUT TWO CHOICES – I WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ONE OF THEM**

- I can choose to build on \_\_\_\_\_, or I can choose to build on the \_\_\_\_\_,
- I can choose to be \_\_\_\_\_, or I can choose to be \_\_\_\_\_,

There are two paths before you; you may take only one path. One doorway is narrow. And one door is wide. Go through the narrow door. For the wide door leads to a wide path, and the wide path is broad; the wide, broad path is easy, and the wide, broad, easy path has many, many people on it; but the wide, broad, easy, crowded path leads to death. <sup>14</sup> Now then that narrow door leads to a narrow road that in turn leads to life. It is hard to find that road. Not many people manage it. **Matthew 7:13, 14** VOICE

- I choose my consequences by choosing my \_\_\_\_\_.

Why do you keep on saying that I am your Lord, when you refuse to do what I say? **Luke 6:46** CEV

You see, it’s turning away from me that brings death to the simple, and it’s self-satisfaction that destroys the fools. <sup>33</sup> But those who listen to me now will live under divine protection; they can rest knowing they are out of harm’s way. **Proverbs 1:32, 33** VOICE

- While I get to choose, I don’t get to choose the consequences of my choice.

So turn your attention and seek the Eternal One while it is still possible; call on Him while He is nearby. <sup>7</sup> Let those who are busy... doing wrong stop right now, turn, and do right. Let them turn to the Eternal so they can experience His compassion. **Isaiah 55:6-7** VOICE

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**Reflecting on today's message...**

**What touched my heart?**

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**What is God asking me to do?**

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**What should I change this week?**

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**Who else needs to hear this message?**

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