BUILDING

Matthew 7:21-29

MESSAGE RECAP

As Jesus concludes His Sermon on the Mount, He emphasizes the importance of decision-making. This isn't just about making everyday choices but deciding how you will live your life based on His teaching. He challenges us to assess whether we're truly following Him or Just going through the motions. Jesus uses the metaphor of two builders: one wise and one foolish. This passage is a call to action – to not only hear Jesus' words but to live them out and build our lives on the firm foundation of His teaching.

GROUP DISCUSSION

- **1.** What is the most difficult decision you've had to make recently, and how did you approach it?
- **2.** Read <u>Matthew 7:21-23</u>. Jesus speaks about those who call him "Lord" but don't truly follow Him.
 - a. How do you assess the authenticity of faith?
 - b. What does it mean to know and be known by God?
- **3.** Read Matthew 7:24-25. What does it mean to build your life on the "rock" of Jesus' teaching? How does this look in daily life?
- **4.** Read Matthew 7:26-27. Why do you think Jesus compares those who don't follow His teaching to someone building on sand? What are the "sands" on which we build our lives today?
- **5.** How can you ensure that your foundation in Christ remains strong when life's storms hit? What practices help you stay grounded?

PRAY

End your group time in prayer.

