



HURRICANE PROOF HOMES: The Story of The Wise Man & The Foolish Man

(Sermon by Ray Reynolds on 6/21/09 - AM)

Text – **Luke 6:47-49, Matthew 7:24-27**

Introduction: There are at least sixty parables of Jesus in the gospels. Today I want us to consider the parable of the wise man and the foolish man. These two men are hoping to see their homes withstand a hurricane. I want to identify this great biblical truth specifically to the men in the audience, who are the spiritual leaders of their homes. Let's study together. . . .

Discussion:

I. THE MESSAGE OF THE STORY

- A. Context
- B. Choices
- C. Consequences
- D. Commitment

II. THE MEANING OF THE STORY

- A. Hearing Jesus
- B. Two Responses

III. THE SURVIVOR IN THE STORY

- A. Rock people build character (**I Peter 2:21-25**).
- B. Rock people build inner strength (**I Corinthians 3:16-17**).
- C. Rock people build good judgment (**Matthew 7:7**).
- D. Rock people build a powerful inner spirit (**II Timothy 1:7**).
- E. Rock people build true security (**Romans 8:31**).
- F. Rock people build on a solid foundation (**I Corinthians 3:11**).
- G. Rock people build an identity (**II Timothy 2:19**).

IV. THE VICTIM IN THE STORY

- A. Sand people lack character (**Ephesians 2:19-22**).
- B. Sand people lack inner strength (**I Corinthians 3:16-17**).
- C. Sand people lack good judgment (**I Timothy 6:18-19**).
- D. Sand people have a weak spirit (**II Timothy 1:7**).
- E. Sand people have insecurity (**Romans 8:1-31**).
- F. Sand people build on a weak foundation (**Romans 15:20-21**).
- G. Sand people lack an identity (**II Timothy 2:19-21**).

V. THE HURRICANES OF LIFE

- A. Dig Deep
- B. Have A Good Foundation
- C. Weather The Elements
- D. Will You Find Salvation or Peril?

Conclusion: We must hear and obey the word of God (**Romans 10:17**). We know that we must become obedient, trusting, and faithful. How can we become true believers? How can we prove ourselves? Jesus has to be our foundation! Do you need some disaster relief? Now is the time to hurricane proof your home!

WORD OF THE DAY = "Father"