

HOW CAN WE KNOW THAT WE ARE TRULY SAVED?

What is the basis for your relationship with Christ? Testing the foundation

Matthew 7:24-29

- I. **RECOGNIZE ONE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST IS COMPLETELY BASED ON HOW WE RESPOND TO HIS WORD:** Jesus gives a comparison between wise and foolish builders that reveals our response to His Word, and thus Him, reveals our eternal destiny (24-27)
 - A. **This is His climactic conclusion, listen up!!!!** “Therefore...” (24a)

 - B. **This eternally important comparison examined (24-27)**
 1. ***It's all about our response to His Word (24,26)***

 2. ***Both wise and foolish builders build houses. i.e. they live their lives claiming to follow Christ (24,26)***

 3. ***Both wise and foolish builders encountered the same storm which revealed what type of foundation they truly had. (25, 27)***

 4. ***The type of foundation they built upon determined the end result. Of whether their lives would stand or fall eternally. (25,27)***

- II. **BE WARNED BY THE JEWS ETERNALLY SAD RESPONSE TO THE WORDS OF CHRIST: THEY MARVELED YET DIDN'T OBEY (28-29)**