

FOUNDATIONS ARE FOUNDATIONAL!

Luke Series

Luke 6:6:46-49

As you go through the week, reflect back on the importance of laying your life foundation on Jesus Christ – the bed-rock for all faith. But Jesus calls us to a faith that is followed by action, by change. Real faith leads to action. And remember that faith, and life, always gets tested. Storms and seasons of suffering will come. When they come, will your life stand up under pressure and pain? The key is, build smart with Jesus and His Word as the bed-rock for your life. Keep growing!

Pastor Dale

Monday—*Foundations are Foundational*

Read Luke 6:46-49 and then compare it to Matthew's longer version at the close of the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 7:24-29. How do they complement and explain the main point? Note that true wisdom is not found in more knowledge, but in more obedience to what one knows. Why do we sometimes hear the Lord, but fail to follow?

Tuesday—*Jesus – Foundation for Life Eternal*

Review Luke 6:20-23 and notice the number of times Jesus references eternal or heavenly rewards. Living with an eternal perspective is never easy in our culture today. But ultimately, the most important promise Jesus ever made was the promise of eternal life through faith in Him. Read John 5:24 and reflect on this grand promise. What is the basis of such a blessing as eternal life? Now read Ephesians 2:8-9 and give thanks that this LIFE is a gift to those who believe.

Wednesday—*Jesus – Foundation for a Changed Life NOW!*

Review again, Luke 6:46-49 and compare it to James 1:21-25. Jesus calls for the wise person to build on the Rock, by hearing and acting on what is heard. What is the common lesson of Luke and James 1:21-25? Why do we sometimes fail to follow through with obedience when confronted by God's truth? Jesus' expectation was, and is, that knowing Him to be LORD, should naturally lead us to obey. Remember, Jesus also reminds us that HE is the source of our strength and of all good fruit in our lives! Only He could live the "Christian life", so trust in Him!

Thursday—*Jesus – Foundation for Standing Strong When Life Hurts*

Read Romans 8:28 and Romans 8:31-32. What is the promise in vs. 28? Why is the phrase, "works together for good" important to understanding this promise? Now reflect on the basis of this great promise, in vs. 31-32. What does it teach us about the character of God? Where does it direct our focus when we are tempted to doubt the love of our God?

Friday—*Prepare for next Sunday by reading Luke 7:1-17 and discover even more on the beautiful, powerful, mysterious nature of Jesus Christ. See you Sunday!*

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INTRODUCTION

I. The Question: Why do you call me, “Lord, Lord”, and do not do what I say? Luke 6:46

II. The Story: Two Builders, Two Homes – Two Outcomes. *Luke 6:47-49*

III. The Lesson: A Promise and a Warning – Foundations Matter! *Luke 6:47-49*

IV. Putting It Into Practice: Jesus Is Our Bed-Rock, Trust and Follow Him!

- Jesus = foundation for _____ (John 5:24).

- Jesus = foundation _____ (John 15:4-5).

- Jesus = foundation for _____ (Romans 8:28, 31-32).

So this week...