

IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO SAY IT.

LORD LORD?

TRUE FAITH BEARS LASTING FRUIT.

LUKE 6:46-49



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- ⁴⁶ “But why do you call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do the things which I say?
- ⁴⁷ Whoever comes to Me, and hears My sayings and does them, I will show you whom he is like:
- ⁴⁸ He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock.

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- ⁴⁹ But he who heard and did nothing is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation, against which the stream beat vehemently; and immediately it fell. And the ruin of that house was great.”

Introduction/Review

- Can the Blind lead the Blind?
- Before we can help others spiritually, we must first be spiritually healthy ourselves.
- Before correcting someone else's life, we must first examine our own.
- Before becoming a teacher, we must first become a faithful disciple.

Why Call Me Lord, Lord?

- **The Emotion of Profession**
- The repeated address ("Lord, Lord") suggests emotion, deep sincerity, and public affection.
- He speaks to people who know His name, attend His teaching, and address Him respectfully.
- **The Disconnect:**
- Their verbal confession says one thing, but their daily lives demonstrate another entirely.

The Danger of Verbal Christianity

- Many sincere people are sincerely disobedient. It is possible to sing songs, memorize verses, defend doctrine, and attend church while refusing His explicit commands.
- *"And do not the things which I say?"*
- **Jesus exposes the tragedy of empty allegiance.**

Fallen Condition Focus

- Our culture wants forgiveness without obedience, salvation without repentance, and heaven without holiness. Jesus refuses that separation.
- **Cheap Grace** - the idea that God's forgiveness and salvation are free gifts that require no life change, repentance, or obedience in return—claiming Jesus as Savior while refusing Him as Lord.

3 Marks of Discipleship

- Whoever **comes** to Me, and **hears** My sayings and **does** them, I will show you whom he is like

1. He Comes

- Initiating a personal, living relationship with Christ beyond outward church ritual.

2. He Hears

- Receiving the divine Word with an attentive, yields, and responsive heart.

3. He Does

- Translating heard truth into active, humble, and daily practical obedience.

First Mark: He Comes

- **More Than Religion**
- Coming to Christ is not merely joining a church organization or adopting a "spiritual" lifestyle label.
- Faith is relational before it is instructional.
- It requires intentional movement of the heart toward Jesus.
- It acknowledges total dependence on Him as Lord.

Second Mark: He Hears

- **More Than Physical Sound:** Biblical hearing involves receiving God's Word with a responsive and open heart.
- **Linguistic Connection:** In both Hebrew (*shama*) and Greek (*akouō*), hearing is intrinsically tied to obedience.
- **Biblical Principle:** Scripturally speaking, you have not truly heard the Word until you have obeyed it.
- **James 1:22 Affirmation:** "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

Third Mark: He Does

- **Submission Over Perfection**
- The final mark of discipleship is active obedience. The test of Lordship is not flawless performance, but a life characterized by steady, growing submission to Christ's commands.
- **Inseparable Union**
- Jesus never separates saving faith from practical obedience. True belief inevitably produces holy action, proving that the heart has been transformed by grace.

Information vs Application

- **Avoid Spiritual Deception**
- Every sermon leaves us with a decision. Every Bible study requires a response. Information without application leads directly to spiritual self-deception.
- The ultimate goal of biblical preaching is not merely educated listeners, but fully transformed disciples of Jesus Christ.

Building on the Right Foundation

- "...is like a man building a house..."
- The wise builder:
- Dug deep.
- Reached bedrock.
- Built on a foundation.
- Private holiness, private prayer, private repentance, and private faithfulness become the unshakeable foundation when life's storms hit.

Certainty of the Storm

"When the flood arose..." (Luke 6:48)

Notice Jesus says **WHEN**, not *IF*.

Storms of trial, persecution, suffering, and temptation are guaranteed. The issue is whether your life has a foundation

Appearance vs Foundation

- **Where Is Your Focus?**
- Many Christians spend enormous effort decorating the structure while completely neglecting the underlying foundation.
- We focus on outward appearance and reputation.
- Jesus focuses on inward obedience and heart posture.
- Storms do not create a foundation; they reveal it.

The Unwise Builder

- **Equal Exposure**
- Both builders heard the exact same words of Jesus. The crucial difference was not exposure to truth, but their personal response to that truth.
- **Superficial Construction**
- One dug deep and built on rock. The other built quickly on surface dirt without a foundation—choosing convenience over obedience.

The Great Collapse

- **The Outcome of Neglect**
- Jesus says: "...***and immediately it fell***; *and the ruin of that house was great.*"
- The collapse was sudden because the foundation was nonexistent. Small, daily acts of unrepentant disobedience eventually produce catastrophic failure.

Warning Against **External Religion**

- **Warning Against Blind Guides:** Jesus exposes the Pharisees who professed God with their lips yet lived lives of unrepentant sin.
- **Knowledge Without Submission:** They knew, quoted, and taught Scripture, yet refused to submit to Christ Himself.
- **Demand for Heart Transformation:** External religious performance cannot replace internal spiritual rebirth.

Christ's Total Authority

- This passage ultimately confronts us with one supreme question:

Who truly has authority over your life? Who do you obey?

Five Practical Steps

- **1. Examine Your Confession:** Does daily living align with what your lips proclaim in worship?
- **2. Build Before the Storm:** Private obedience today establishes public stability tomorrow.
- **3. Obey What You Know:** Stop substituting Bible knowledge for actionable submission.
- **4. Repent Quickly:** Persistent disobedience weakens foundations; repentance strengthens them.
- **5. Lead by Example:** Your greatest sermon is the faithful life you build before others.

The Unshakeable Foundation

- Come to Christ. Hear His Word. Do what He says.

Standing on the only foundation that
can never be shaken:

Jesus Christ Himself.