THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 6:46-49

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"Do - IT - YOURSELF"

THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN

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In the Spirit of "DRIVE THRU HISTORY"

Is It Me, Or...

is there a 24/7 stream of television programs and ads telling me that my house needs remodeling, I need new siding on my house - -I need a make-over?

> I just found out this week that I can't be happy with my house - -It needs a new paint job, It needs a new driveway,

I've got to get copper piping, and, if I don't watch out, my lawn could turn yellow in this summer heat without bandini

last year, the private home improvement industry

made over 150 billion dollars nationwide as people worked and spent big to make their homes perfect.

But I Have Never Seen a Program or a Commercial on how to improve the foundation of your houses, our homes.

Luke 6:46-49

"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. **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."

Do-IT-Yourself

1.) Who's going to be in control of it? v.46-47

Luke 6:46-47

"But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not 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:

A DANGER OF DOING IT YOURSELF

1a.) There will be a power issue, who leads? v.46a

"But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not the things which I say?

This:

"But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,'

((is extremely important and unsettling if we are not careful))

Whenever Jesus Says Anything, We Had Better Listen.

But When He Repeats Something, It is All The More Important.

The Ancient Greeks Believed That, Logos, Pathos, Ethos,

made up the very life you lived! (the word, the passion, the life)

"Whatever the **word** was in your life, it determined the degree of **passion** coming from your life. your **life** announced what your existence was, is, would be."

This "Lord, Lord"

twice is in the Greek a declaration of affirmation

Matthew 7:20

Therefore by their fruits you will know them. :21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name and done many wonders in Your name?'
23 And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' :24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

Jesus is Thus Saying to Us...

"Your Words Say That You are Totally Committed, Then Why..."

IF YOU'RE COMMITTED TO ME,

Then There's No Debate or Second Opinion About Who Leads in Your Life.

Do - IT - YOURSELF

1b.) There will be an obedience issue, who obeys who? v.47b

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

- a.) whoever comes / Jesus Christ is inviting you to come on in
- b.) whoever hears / Jesus Christ is inviting you to use your reason
- c.) whoever does / Jesus Christ is inviting you to be real

Proverbs 1:5

A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: 1 Corinthains 12:3

...no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.

1c.) There will be a reality issue, who's gonna know? v.47c

...I will show you whom he is like:

Jesus Does Exactly What He Has Been Teaching Us Not to Condemn, But to Evaluate a Person's Life Who Claims to Know God.

Notice With Me Please, That;

"What Jesus 'Shows Us' is Based Upon Who and What the Person Really Is."

John 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

But Read The Fine Print

Matthew 12:37 For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

The Reality is... What is Heard, Seen, and Left by My Life

Do - IT - YOURSELF

v.48

Luke 6:48

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

2a.) A home that doesn't come easy

v.48a

He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock

Often, The "Do-It -Yourself" Centers

Make it Sound Like You Can Build this Thing in an Hour or a Day

There Are No "Make It Easier" Centers

To Truly Make Something Easier is to Have Someone Else Do It.

That Someone Else is Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 3:9

For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, *you are* God's building. **10** According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. **11** For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

There's Nothing Easy About... digging deep and then laying a foundation on the rock!

obviously, we live in Southern California, *'the earthquake capitol of the world.*

We have the strictest building codes in the nation.

These Buildings Here On Campus

required a foundation that costs nearly 2 Million Dollars. 2 million bucks below the surface - who's going to see any of that expense?

Some Things are Never Seen, and Sometimes Appreciated

1 Corinthians 3:10-13

According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. **11** For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. **12** Now if anyone builds on this foundation *with* gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, 13 each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is.

The Nail is This;

"What Jesus Says is Trustworthy to Build With What Jesus is, Makes for The Best Foundation Possible." There's Simply No Substitute

2b.) A home that is built for life

v.48b

And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and it could not be shaken...

Life's Difficulties and Hardships They are The Storms of Life that Rage Against Us.

John 16:33

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

No One is an Exception, No One Gets Out Untouched by Life's Struggles.

Roman 5:3-5

And not only *that,* but we also glory in *tribulations*, knowing that *tribulation* produces *perseverance*; 4 and perseverance, *character*; and character, *hope*. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us

Husband and wife, mom and dad,

together - you're building a sanctuary, a hospital, a health club,

a racetrack, a castle, a classroom, a training camp, a retreat, a launching pad to the world....

2c.) A home that cannot be moved

v.48

for (because) it was founded on the rock

things that happen to houses

earthquakes, fires, floods, and winds, termites, thieves, toilet paper

It's The Physical Stuff you can repair and remodel

things that happen to homes

carelessness, lovelessness, thoughtlessness, busyness, no more affection, no more fun, no more craziness, no peace, no rest

The Home Becomes a Warzone

It's The Soul, The Spirit of a Home, Thanks be to God - you can rebuild and remodel your Life

It's The Spiritual Stuff that we need to apply, create, begin...

How's Your House? Is It a Home?

Apply The Master Craftsman Design - His word to us!

Psalm 107:20

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Colossians 2:6-7

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk **in Him**, 7 rooted and built up **in Him** and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

Psalm 61:2

From the end of the earth I will cry to You, When my heart is overwhelmed; Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

Psalm 62:3

He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved.

Do - IT - YOURSELF

3.) Where are we going to build it?

v.49

Luke 6:49

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."

Every House, Every Home Built

looks the same from the ground up. they look the same from the street.

But What's Beneath That House, That Home?

Is It Firm, Is It Strong, Is It Secure? Or Is It Unstable, Is It Weak, Is It Shaky?

Sadly - People Just Don't Care About the Things Not Seen.

3a.) The fool says anywhere will do

v.49

But he who heard and did nothing is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation,

Two Things Strike Us as Impossible, Insane

"why would anyone build a house without a foundation?" *and* why would anyone not listen to Jesus Christ before

Building?

Seemingly Impossible, Even Insane

But It's True - People Decide to Not Listen to Jesus

It a Possible to Build your House without a Foundation!

But Why?

maybe for show, maybe for looks, maybe to impress others? maybe because you're really into **"Doing It Yourself"**

Our Lives are Like Houses and Homes

1. at first glance, it's a beautiful home

2. with a closer look, it's still pretty nice

3. entering in, you find what it's really like

2 Timothy 2:3-4

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables...

What Made the Foolish Home-Builder Construct

a Home That Only Had Curb Appeal?

#1 A Strong Desire To Get Quick Results he didn't count the cost and make a plan (Greed)	
#2 No Desire to Put Hard Work Into It (Lack of Commitment)	
#3 Blinded to The Fact of Building for Tomorrow (Living for the Here and Now)	

3b.) The fool does what's convenient v.29

... against which the stream beat vehemently; and immediately it fell.

HE BUILDS HIS HOUSE IN THE RIVERBED WHERE THE FLASH FLOOD WATERS MEET THE SEA

Luke was a Greek, from Greece and was a Medical Doctor not a Geologist or a Meteorologist

But In Matthew's Gospel, He Presents It a Bit More Graphically Because Matthew was an Israeli, Acquainted with the Land and the Weather...

It's Matthew's Account That Brings Out a Locals View of the Climate and Geology Matthew Uses the "Sand", "Sand Stone"

Matthew 7:26-27

"But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on **the sand**: **27** and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

the sand

particulates, fragments, what has become erosion

the earth

the soils of the region, the ground beneath you, the world

3c.) The fool has no idea what's about to happen v.49

... And the ruin of that house was great."

Matthew 13:18

"Therefore hear the parable of the sower: **19** When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand *it*, then the wicked *one* comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. **20** But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; **21** yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles.

ruin tearing away, the ripping, the moving of it Its Destruction Was Much Easier Than it Should Have Been

The Water, The Flood Didn't Have to Do Much of Anything to Destroy It

Proverbs 14:16 ...a fool rages on ahead and is self-confident.

> "Come On Let's Go Dude" but where are we going?

Matthew 7:21-24

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. **22** Many will say to Me in that day, "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' **23** And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' **:24** "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

Just How Secure is Your Home?

Because, You Will Never Know For Sure Until a Storm Comes.

Matthew's Gospel Adds This to The Ending...

Matthew 7:28

And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, 29 for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

Because The People Knew What He was saying, Was True to Life!

The Lesson is about Lordship.

Who is in control of your life? If it's you, you're in trouble. if its Jesus Christ, then you're going to make it

End of Study _