

MATTHEW

January 23, 2022

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QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. The two men described by Jesus are doing what (vv. 24, 26)?

What does this mean for you? (What does each of us do?)

2. Each man lays his foundation upon what?

3. What happens to each house when the inevitable storm comes (vv. 25, 27)?

4. In application, what is the difference in each man's foundation (vv. 24, 26)? (What did each man do or not do?)

Why do you suppose that this is the difference-maker in each man's foundation?

Why would anyone listen to the words of Jesus but not act upon them?

5. Identify a storm that you faced. How did your foundation, for better or worse, hold up in the storm? Why?

6. How does the teaching of Jesus typically strike you (v. 28)? Be honest. Does familiarity with His teaching tend to lessen the impact?

7. What does it mean that Jesus' teaching has authority (v. 29)?

How does this contribute to a greater sense of urgency?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

I will honor the authority of Jesus' words this week by . . .

I will seek to put His words into practice this week by . . .