

Built Upon...

Matthew 7

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Matthew 7:24–29 ²⁴ “Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the rivers rose, and the winds blew and pounded that house. Yet it didn’t collapse, because its foundation was on the rock. ²⁶ But everyone who hears these words of mine and doesn’t act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, the rivers rose, the winds blew and pounded that house, and it collapsed. It collapsed with a great crash.” ²⁸ When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ because he was teaching them like one who had authority, and not like their scribes.

- A disciple’s life is built on the words of Christ.
 - The Sermon on the Mount
- The Authority of Jesus

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- Jesus claims authority which belongs to God.

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Deuteronomy 18:15–19 ¹⁵ “The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must listen to him. ¹⁶ This is what you requested from the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, ‘Let us not continue to hear the voice of the LORD our God or see this great fire any longer, so that we will not die!’ ¹⁷ Then the LORD said to me, ‘They have spoken well. ¹⁸ I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. ¹⁹ I will hold accountable whoever does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name.

Matthew 8:8–9 ⁸ “Lord,” the centurion replied, “I am not worthy to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I too am a man under authority, having soldiers under my command. I say to this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this!’ and he does it.”

Matthew 8:27 ²⁷ The men were amazed and asked, “What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the sea obey him!”

Matthew 9:1–7 ¹ So he got into a boat, crossed over, and came to his own town. ² Just then some men brought to him a paralytic lying on a stretcher. Seeing their faith, Jesus told the paralytic, “Have courage, son, your sins are forgiven.” ³ At this, some of the scribes said to themselves, “He’s blaspheming!” ⁴ Perceiving their thoughts, Jesus said, “Why are you thinking evil things in your hearts? ⁵ For which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk?’ ⁶ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—then he told the paralytic, “Get up, take your stretcher, and go home.” ⁷ So he got up and went home.

Matthew 28:18–20 ¹⁸ Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

- Jesus' Authority is a sign of his divinity
- Where is your life built?