



RESILIENT

Teaching As One
Who Had Authority

Matthew 7:24-29

Christmas Eve

DECEMBER 24
1601 W DRAKE RD
4:00 P.M.



Next Sunday (December 29)

- Sermon on the Mount Scripture
Reading + Response
- Normal Summitview Kids Classes
- No Livestream



Year-End Giving

2024



Jesus Calls to Decision

1. Two Paths – Matthew 7:13-14
2. Two Trees – Matthew 7:15-20
3. Two Relationships – Matthew 7:21-23
4. **Two Foundations – Matthew 7:24-27**



**Our response to Jesus' Sermon on
the Mount reveals our life foundation,
our true king and final destiny.**

**Only those who acknowledge His
authority will be resilient through
life's trials and final judgement.**



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Matthew 7:24-25

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.”





Luke 6:48 (Parallel Passage)

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



Our response reveals
our foundation



Our response reveals
our true king



**Resilience in life's trials hinges
upon our acknowledgement
of Jesus' authority as King.**



Our response reveals
our final destiny



Jesus' warnings of hell

Wide gate/easy way:

- leads to destruction (vs 13-14)

False prophets=fruitless/diseased tree:

- cut down and thrown into the fire (vs 15-20)



Jesus' warnings of hell

Those attempting heaven-entrance by human performance:

- not granted entrance to kingdom of heaven
- instead told 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' (vs 21-23)



Matthew 7:24

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'Hears and does' | Jesus doesn't intend:

- Earning righteous standing through religious performance



‘Hears and does’ | Jesus doesn’t intend:

- Earning righteous standing through religious performance
- Disregarding the command to obey his words



‘Hears and does’ | Jesus doesn’t intend:

- Earning righteous standing through religious performance
- Disregarding the command to obey his words
- Selective obedience



Matthew 7:28-29

And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.



Why was Jesus' authority so astonishing?

1. He practice what He preached



Why was Jesus' authority so astonishing?

1. He practiced what He preached
2. He proclaimed divine authority through his teaching



Jesus' authority revealed in his Sermon

1. Jesus claimed he would fulfill the Law



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- “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”

(Matthew 5:17)



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- “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven... On that day... I declare to them... ‘Depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

(Matthew 7:21-23)



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 - “For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 5:20)



C.S. Lewis

“I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: I’m ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don’t accept his claim to be God. That is the one thing we must not say...”



What DOES Jesus mean
by ‘hears these words of
mine and does them’?



Non-ignorable words of King Jesus

- “Let your light shine before others.” ~Jesus
- “Everyone who is angry...will be liable to the hell of fire.”
~Jesus
- “Everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has
already committed adultery with her in his heart.” ~Jesus
- “Love your enemies.” ~Jesus



Non-ignorable words of King Jesus

- “When you give to the needy...when you pray.” ~Jesus
- “You cannot serve God and money.” ~Jesus
- “Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.”
~Jesus
- “Take the log out of your own eye.” ~Jesus
- “Enter by the narrow gate.” ~Jesus



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Responding to Jesus' words

1. Trials



Responding to Jesus' words

1. Trials

2. Final Destiny



Responding to Jesus' words

1. Trials

2. Final Destiny

3. Joyful obedience

