

THE GREATEST STORIES EVER TOLD: THE PARABLES OF JESUS

Great Stories about Wise Living
Sunday, October 31 | Tommy Duke
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The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Builder Matthew 7:24-27 (NLT)

“²⁴ Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. ²⁵ Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won’t collapse because it is built on bedrock. ²⁶ But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn’t obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. ²⁷ When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash.”

The Actors:

The Action:

The _____ of Living by God’s Wisdom
vs.
The _____ of Living by the World’s Wisdom

WISDOM: Seeing and responding to life from _____.

HOW DO I LIVE WISELY?

- R _____ GOD AS THE _____.

*“For the Lord gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding;”
– Proverbs 2:6 (NKJV)*

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.” – Proverbs 9:10 (NKJV)

- R _____ GOD’S WORD DAILY.

“For I have stayed on God’s paths; I have followed his ways and not turned aside. I have not departed from his commands, but have treasured his words more than daily food.” – Job 23:11-12 (NLT)

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” – Psalm 119:105 (NKJV)

- **R_____ TO GOD’S WORD OBEDIENTLY.**

“But don’t just listen to God’s word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves.” – James 1:22 (NLT)

- **R_____ THE WORLD WON’T UNDERSTAND WHY I AM _____.**

“Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.” – Romans 12:2 (NLT)

ACTION STEP:

Choose _____ over _____.

Memory Verse:

“Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock.” – Matthew 7:24 (NLT)

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.” – James 1:5 (NKJV)

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize Matthew 7:24.
- Ask for God’s wisdom in this area of my life: _____.
- Commit to read one chapter of Proverbs every day between now and the end of the year.
- Planning to come help pack Shoeboxes at 5:15pm on Nov. 7.
- Planning to bring Chili for Chili Cook-Off on Nov. 7.
- Planning to come to the Chili Supper.

Join us again next weekend as we continue *The Greatest Stories Ever Told* with *“Great Stories about Prayer.”* Invite a friend to join you!

** Bible verses are from the New King James Versions (NKJV) or the New Living Translation (NLT) unless otherwise noted.*