

THE WORD BECAME FLESH



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

#14 – Listening to God’s Word Luke 6:37-49

PICTURES (Note: Inserted in brackets at the appropriate place in the lesson is the number of the picture to show the students.)

- 14-3 Good or Bad Fruit
- 14-4 The house built on rock or sand

REVIEW (Before teaching lesson)

- **The Big Question Review:** What is the level of righteousness Jesus has called us to? (How good does Jesus want us to be?)
We are to treat others the way we want to be treated.

- **Lesson Rhyme Review:** What are the Beatitudes?

B—B	Make sign of “B”
Beatitudes	Fists in front of mouth, open & spread hands out in front palms down
Teach what	Fingers of hands touching thumbs
	Move by sides of head & then forward
is right to do	Make thumbs up sign
B—B—Beatitudes	Same as above
Jesus	Make sign of Jesus
speaks of	Two fingers from each hand going back & forth from mouth
what is true	R index finger in front of mouth, move finger forward to point straight out



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- **Introduction:** (picture 14-3) What is this a picture of?

Jesus said that just like a tree is recognized by the type of fruit it produces, a good man bears good fruit and an evil man bears bad fruit. Our fruit is the things we say and do. If we love Jesus, we will seek to learn from him. We will live our lives in a way that pleases him. Our lives will bear good fruit.

(picture 14-4) Jesus also says that learning from him and living by God's word is like building a house on rock. If you build on and live out the teachings of Jesus, you will bear good fruit and your life will be well built. You will be able to trust and follow Jesus even when life is hard. When trouble comes, you will be able to stand firm and not fall down. If your life isn't built on Jesus and his truth, it won't stand firm when trouble comes. It will be like a house built on the sand that will collapse.

The big question for this week is: What makes a person wise?

Listen as I read the lesson book and see if you can answer the question afterwards.

- **Lesson Book:** Read the book. Refer to the attached discussion questions.

Title: On what should we build our lives?

Page 1 - Matthew 7:24-25

(Picture of a house built on a solid rock)

A house to be secure
must be built on solid ground.
So it will stand firm,
when the storms against it pound.
That means that the foundation
should be built into the rock.
Because what forms the base
is the essential building block.

Page 2 - Matthew 7:26-27

(Picture of a collapsed house on sand)

If a house is built on sand,
it will never last.
It will wash away
when the storms around it blast.
Sand is not a good foundation,
as it will move around.
It is never good to build on
what is shifting ground.

Page 3 - Psalm 127:1

(Picture of the Bible)

Jesus says our lives
should be built upon his rock.
Believing in God's Word
makes a solid building block.
The Bible is God's word.
It teaches what we need to know.
It reveals God's mind
and the way that we should go.

Page 4 - Proverbs 24:4

(Picture of a family reading the Bible)

When we read God's Word,
we learn what's right and true.
To build our lives upon it,
is something we should do.
It will form a firm foundation,
our lives on which to build
And we will understand it
when to God our hearts we yield.

Page 5 - Hebrews 3:6
(Picture of a bad storm)
We should not be frightened,
 when storms roar all around,
If we know our lives are built
 on what is solid ground.
Jesus through the storms of life
 will keep `neath his arm.
Loving us and guiding us
 and keeping us from harm.

Page 6 - Proverbs 10:25
(Picture of a child with Jesus)
If we put our trust in Jesus,
 we have a solid base.
He will see us through
 all the troubles that we face.
We therefore will stand firm
 through the storms of life.
Our house will never crumble,
 when around us there is strife.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Page 1: Where should a house be built? Why?

Page 2: What happens when a house is built on sand? Why?

Page 3: How do we build our lives on Jesus' rock? Why is that important to do?

Page 4: What does reading God's word do for us? How do we build our lives on the Bible?

Page 5: What are the storms of life that can roar around us? Why don't we have to be frightened when things seem wrong or hard?

Page 6: What does it mean to trust in Jesus? What happens when we trust in Jesus? Why?

Review: Select a couple questions from above to ask the students again.

- Prayer: Thank God that in him you are kept safe and secure. Pray that you will build your life on Jesus and the truth of his Word.
- The Big Question: What makes a person wise?

A wise man listens to Jesus and puts his teaching into practice.

ACTIVITIES (Completed after the lesson)

Any age appropriate activity can be included which fits into the club time. The activities with a star are included on the weekly sheet.

- ★ Coloring: Color in the lesson picture.
- ★ Activity: Drawing
Instruction: Draw a house on the rock.

★ **Lesson Rhyme:** Practice the lesson rhyme with movements.

B—B	Sign of B
Build	Pound one fist on top of other and then reverse
Your house	Point hands up like a roof and walls
upon a rock	Fold hands together like a rock
B—B—Build	Same as above
On Christ	Sign of Jesus
the solid block	Same as rock



- **Craft:** The House on the Rock

Materials: copier paper, colored pencils, glue sticks, scissors

Preparation: Run off 14 EC craft on paper. Cut apart sections.

Instructions: Cut shapes out and put together as a house. Glue to the rock. Draw doors and window on the house.

- **Song:** The House on the Rock

The wise man built his house upon the rock

(Repeat two more times.)

And the rain came tumbling down

Oh, the rain came down, and the floods came up

(Repeat two more times.)

And the wise man's house stood firm.

The foolish man built his house upon the sand

(Repeat two more times.)

And the rain came tumbling down

Oh, the rain came down, and the floods came up

(Repeat two more times.)

And the foolish man's house went "splat!" (clap hands once)

So, build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ

(Repeat two more times.)

And the blessings will come down

Oh, the blessings come down as your prayers go up

(Repeat two more times.)

So build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ.

JOURNAL

The journal is included in the class booklet for the students to complete at home. It has six poetic readings and related Bible verses. It would be beneficial for the teacher to read through and be familiar with its content.