

HOME GROUP NOTES 11.2.2018

PSALM 40:1-5; MATTHEW 7:21-29.

WELCOME

How are the New Year resolutions going? How many of them involve making choices?

WORSHIP

The wise man built his house upon the rock (x3)
And the rain came tumbling down.
And the rain came down and the floods came up,
The rain came down and the floods came up (x2)
And the house on the rock stood firm.

The foolish man built his house upon the sand (x3)
And the rain came tumbling down.
And the rain came down and the floods came up,
The rain came down and the floods came up (x2)
And the house on the sand went "Crash".

WORD

Skim read the headings of Matt chapters 5-6.

1. In all this teaching there are choices to be made. What are the choices in each section?
2. Read 7:1-6. Why can we find this passage challenging? (vv1-5)
3. Read 7:7-12. What do you think Jesus is talking about here? (vv11.12)
4. Read 7:13,14. What is important here?
5. Read 7:15-23. Why are these passages vitally important? Why must we be on our guard about what we're being taught?
6. Read 7:24-29. In v24, Jesus says, "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on a rock." What does he mean?
7. Compare the wise man and the foolish man.
8. What do you think this story tells us? What are the consequences?
9. What is the foundation that the wise man builds on? Who is it?
10. Quickly look up Ps 40:1-5; Deut 32:4,18,31; 1 Sam 2:2; Ps 18:2; Matt16:18. These are a few references to the foundation – the rock.

WITNESS

Thank God that he is our rock, our firm foundation, and we build our life upon him.

Pray that he will enable us to share his love with someone this week (maybe someone we don't know)

Pray for all those who are ill or in any kind of need.

Pray for the outreach of this church.

Pray for the situation in Boga Diocese in Congo.