



## Matthew 7:24-27 NIV

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# I. There Is A Solid Foundation

Matthew 7:24-25 NIV

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# I. There Is A Solid Foundation

James 1:22-25 NIV

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22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. 23 Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror 24 and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. 25 But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.



# I. There Is A Solid Foundation

James 2:14-18 NIV



14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? 15 Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? 17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

18 But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.”

Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.



# I. There Is A Solid Foundation

Matthew 5:43-45 NIV



43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.



## II. There Is A Not-So-Solid Foundation

Matthew 7:26-27 NIV



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## II. There Is A Not-So-Solid Foundation

Luke 6:46 NIV



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“Why do you call me,  
‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not  
do what I say?”



## II. There Is A Not-So-Solid Foundation

Luke 6:48 NIV



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They are like a man building a house,  
who dug down deep and laid the  
foundation on rock. When a flood  
came, the torrent struck that house but  
could not shake it, because it was well  
built.





## III. There Is A Difference



1 Corinthians 3:11-15 NIV

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11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, 13 their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. 14 If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. 15 If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.



### III. There Is A Difference

Romans 10:17 NIV



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Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.



### III. There Is A Difference

Luke 11:28 NIV



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He replied, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.”



### III. There Is A Difference

Romans 2:13 NIV



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For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous.