

Come Rain or Shine: Stormy Weather

Bracing yourself for life's storms

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Storms will happen, so make sensible preparations .

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. Matthew 7:24-25 (NIV)

But everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash. Matthew 7:26-27 (NIV)

#1: Develop a dependable foundation .

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ. Each one should test their own actions... for each one should carry their own load. Galatians 6:2, 4-5(NIV)

#2 - Cultivate close relationships .

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at His teaching, because He taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. Matthew 7:28-29 NIV

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. How can you develop a fuller foundation in Christ's teachings?
2. In what area of your life can you cultivate a closer relationship?