MESSAGE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

HERE I STAND: THE DEVIL IS IN THE DETAILS // SEPT 20

Senior Pastor Marty Grubbs continued the series, Here I Stand, with a message from a part of Scripture where Jesus gives us the choice on what kind of life we want to live. At the end of the Sermon on the Mount, after speaking about various topics and issues, he says it comes down to a choice of where you will

build your life. In Matthew 7:24-27 Jesus says to choose between the Rock (me and the truth) and be wise, or the sand (the enemy and his lies) and be foolish. This choice isn't a one-time decision, but rather daily, big and small, decisions. These decisions add up over time, the storms of life will come, the firmness, or the weakness, of our foundation will be revealed.

SCRIPTURE

"Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. 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. But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash." –Matthew 7:24-27

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What stood out from the message today as Marty spoke about the choice of foundations for life?
- 2. Read the passage above from Matthew 7:24-27, what are the two choices of how to build your "house" or life?
- 3. What are examples of decisions made that lead to a foundation of sand? What makes them foolish?
- 4. What are examples of decisions made that lead to a foundation of rock? How are they wise?
- 5. Have there been times you've been standing firm on rock when a storm hit? Have there been times in your life you found yourself standing on sand when a storm hit? What were the results?
- 6. If you have been building your life on the sand, what decisions can you make to begin rebuilding on the Rock? How can we come alongside you?
- 7. How can we pray for you?

PRAYER

As you pray, thank God for the power of his holy word and how practical it is for us today. Ask him to reveal decisions that you have made throughout your life that have been building on sand and to give you the courage and wisdom to begin to rebuilding on the rock. Acknowledge the choice you have, and ask for his help in the little and the big decisions to help you be able to stand firm against the storms of life.



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