

**Standing In The Storm**  
**Luke 6:46-49**  
**Sermon Series: “Jesus In The Storm”**

**Introduction:** Have you made proper preparations for the inevitable storms of this life? Are you prepared to stand before God at the final judgment? Let’s look at the words of Jesus and make sure we are prepared to stand in the storm.

- 1. We are building a life on some type of foundation.** Everybody is obviously building a life, but everybody is also building on some type of foundation, whether they realize it or not and whether it is intentional or not.
  
- 2. Storms are coming to test what we are building.** Storms are an inevitable reality of life. We are either in a storm, coming out of a storm, or heading into a storm. Storms do not make us or break us, but they reveal the true nature of the life we are building. In other words, our future isn’t ultimately determined by storms but by our foundation. Remember that Jesus is stronger than any storm. Also, the ultimate storm is the final judgment of God.
  
- 3. Our lives will stand or fall based on the foundation we are building on.** There are only two foundations, according to Jesus, so we can either build on Him or on anything else but Him.
  - A. It’s not the storm that destroys us but the lack of a proper foundation.**
  - B. We stand in the storm because we are building our lives on a solid foundation.**

This means that we can change our future by changing our foundation. Often, we want a bailout when what we need is a new foundation. We have to stop trying to change the past, but we can repent, let go of the past, and rebuild in a different way. We can make a decision to change in a moment, but building is a process. It doesn’t matter what kind of house we are building if it is on the wrong foundation. A lot of people are building mansions in the sand.

- 4. The only foundation that will stand is the Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 3:11)** Why? It is because He is our spiritual Rock (1 Corinthians 10:4).
  - A. The Rock who is our salvation (Psalm 62:1-2).**
  - B. The Rock who is the only sure and certain thing we can count on. (Psalm 61:1-2).**
  - C. The Rock who is our shelter (Psalm 61:3-4).**
  - D. The Rock who is our strength (Psalm 18:1-2).**

**5. We build on the foundation of Jesus by submitting to His Lordship.** He actually has to be in control of our life to be the foundation of our life. How?

**A. Lordship is confessed at salvation (Romans 10:9).** We must start here because to quote Dr. H.A. Ironside, “We cannot live the life until first we possess it.”

**B. Lordship is expressed by obedience.**

You can call yourself a Christian, but your life (marriage, family, etc.) is not going to stand unless you are living in obedience to the Lord Jesus. Works and faith cannot be mixed together to bring about salvation, but works demonstrates faith. This is produced by the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit in us and is not something that comes from human effort.

**C. Obedience comes by knowing and applying the Word of God (James 1:21-25).**

**Conclusion:** Have you come to the place in your life where you have genuinely confessed Jesus as Lord?

If you say yes, does your life demonstrate that to be true?

Are there areas of disobedience in your life that you need to repent of?

Are there ways your life is falling apart that you are blaming on God that if you're honest you should admit that they are really caused by your own disobedience?

How much are you digging into the Word of God?