



Daily Reflections

December 7, 2017

Scripture

Matthew 7: 21, 24-27

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,'
will enter the Kingdom of heaven,
but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven.

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them
will be like a wise man who built his house on rock.

The rain fell, the floods came,
and the winds blew and buffeted the house.
But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock.

And everyone who listens to these words of mine
but does not act on them
will be like a fool who built his house on sand.

The rain fell, the floods came,
and the winds blew and buffeted the house.
And it collapsed and was completely ruined."

Our Scripture Reflection

Jesus speaks out against certain charismatic preachers who led their crowds to believe that they had the magic words to unlock the miraculous power of Jesus (Lord, Lord). Jesus warns them that it is useless to call on His name unless one is living His way. Those who live the way of Jesus have nothing to fear. Why? Because their lives are established on a Rock-solid foundation.

Food for your Journey

The book of Proverbs on wisdom:

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight (9:10).

The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility goes before honor (15:33).

Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil (3:7).

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, You are the Rock-solid foundation of my life. All of my faith and hope are in You. Help me to follow Your way at all times. Amen.