

BUILDING ON A SURE FOUNDATION

(Home Fellowship)

Psa 11:3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

Psa 11:3 If the foundations be destroyed,.... Or, "for the foundations are destroyed" (s); all things are out of order and course both in church and state; the laws, which are the foundations of government, are despised and disregarded; judgment is perverted, and justice stands afar off; the doctrines and principles of The Word of God are scoffed and subverted (undermined); so that there is no standing, either in a political or Biblical (religious) sense.

1Ti 6:19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

1. It is what supports the building, a part of a building usually below the ground that transfers and distributes the weight of the building onto the ground.
2. The foundation though being unseen, holds the building up during earthquakes, winds, storms and even floods.
3. Foundation: can also be the support for idea, the basis of something to build a belief on.

Psa 119:104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

Psa 119:105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Pro 6:23 For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life:

God's word is a candle which may be held in the hand to give us light in every dark place and chamber; and it is a general light shining upon all his works, and upon all our ways.

3. The 9/11 terrorist attack on America's twin towers, destroyed the outer structure and many life's were lost. But when the smoke cleared, the foundation still stood firm. A foundation that could still hold the building of another structure.

WITH A SOLID FOUNDATION GOD CAN MAKE SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL OUT OUR LIVES

Hebrews 3:4 For every house is builded by some *man*; but he that built all things *is* God.

1. Through the fall of man, our lives became marred in the hands of the potter:

Jer 18:1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Jer 18:2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

Jer 18:3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

Jer 18:4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*.

2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Isa 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

Isa 61:4 And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

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For we are his workmanship - We are his “making” - ποίημα poiēma.

That is, we are “created or formed” by him, not only in the general sense in which all things are made by him, but in that special sense which is denoted by the new creation;

JESUS TALKS ABOUT THE TWO FOUNDATIONS

Mat 7:24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

Mat 7:25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

Mat 7:26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

Mat 7:27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

1. **All of our lives are tested by the storms of life.** “The trial of our Faith”

1Pe 1:7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Heb 12:26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

Heb 12:27 And this *word*, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

Heb 12:28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

Heb 12:29 For our God a consuming fire.

Signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken. “...that He will sift out everything without solid foundation.

As of things that are made (as of created things), **that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.** Leaving only what is unshaken to be permanent.

Eph 2:20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*;

Eph 2:21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:

Eph 2:22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

BUILDING WITH THE RIGHT MATERIAL

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1. **Lives cannot be built on philosophy of men and good intentions:**

Col 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Col 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

Col 2:10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

1Co 3:12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

1Co 3:13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

1. **Gold, Silver, Precious Stones:** Having value in the kingdom of god, and works that bring glory to God. the precious doctrines of truth, and all the feelings, views, opinions, habits, practices, which truth produces in an individual or a church, will bear the trial of the last great Day.
2. **Wood, hay, stubble:** Only time for self and self interests, works that bring glory to self, and not glory to God and his kingdom. Also heretical doctrines, damnable heresies, such as are diametrically opposite to, and overturn the foundation of truth and righteousness.