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²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.” ²⁸ And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

1. What does acting on these words from Jesus look like?

2. What does the rain, floods, and wind represent in our lives?

3. What is the difference between building a house on the solid rock and building a house on sand?

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4. Has there been a time when your faith was being tested like a house in a storm? What foundation was your faith built on during that storm?
5. What is Jesus teaching us about these two foundations?
6. Why were the crowds impressed with Jesus?
7. Since Jesus' words have divine authority, how does that affect your approach the Sermon on the Mount and the rest of Scripture?