

Building on a Solid Foundation

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How Stable Are You?

How stable is your belief (faith)

Life Is not Easy

- If you are struggling walking the walk, there is a reason
 - Nothing happens by chance
 - People often blame God for their troubles -
- Rollercoaster Christianity
 - Normal for a new believer
 - Christian life is easier and better than any other
 - Your sins have been forgiven
 - Holy Spirit is your comforter
 - You have exceedingly glorious promises - **2Pet.1:3-4**
- If you are struggling walking the walk, there is a reason
 - Overcoming sin, sickness, fears, problems...
 - It should get better as we develop in experience

Do God's promises always work?

- **2Cor.1:20** – Promises are Yes and Amen, in Him
- **Heb.6:12** – Need for faith (believing) and patience
- Are you moved when there is conflict between the promises or the Word and your experience?

Mt.7:24, Lk.6:48 – Parable of the house on the rock

Doing His Word

- Sayings = Logos
- Do them = gk. Poieh'o = AGREE, COMMIT ONCE FOR ALL – it does not mean practice
- Sand (Mt) or soil (Lk)
- Rock = Petra = massive boulder
- The basis for our stability

You must build a strong foundation

- **FOUNDATION = Basis on which we build and stand**
 - A house with a weak foundation will fall, no matter how good the material is on top
 - Tall buildings need deeper foundations
 - The deeper and stronger your foundation the higher you can get
- **OUR FOUNDATION IS THE PLACE WE STAND UNTIL WE RECEIVE OUR PROMISES**
 - Our doctrines without a strong foundation will crumble under the pressure of life
- **YOUR FOUNDATION IS JESUS**
 - **1Cor.3:11-12-15** – Jesus Christ the **CORNERSTONE OF OUR SALVATION**
 - Aligning ourselves with the cornerstone
 - What/Who is your foundation – There is only one way to stand

Questions to Consider

1. In which way is the Christian Life easier than worldly life?
2. Explain the implications of 2Pet.1:3-4.
3. How is the presence of patience related to faith?
4. What does it mean that Christ is the cornerstone of our salvation?
5. What is the evidence that this is true in our life?