

*"Start with the End in Mind"

(A sequence of 3 parable teachings at the end)

- *Luke 6:46 "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?
- *Luke 6:47 As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like.
- *Luke 6:48 They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built.
- *Luke 6:49 But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed, and its destruction was complete." *Matthew 7:26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.

"The Parable of Foundations" (2021 Edition)

- **1. V:46** Why do we have money that says our foundation is in "God We Trust"; when we've replaced His Commandments & teachings with human philosophy?
- 2. V:47 How to identify a life-view that puts Gods words into practice?
- **3. V:48 A Biblical worldview** is the solid ground that entails deep practice that stabilizes life and society no matter what is happen in the world.
- **4. V:49 A unhealthy spiritual foundation** is a life that shifts like sand. The collapse & sudden destruction of a life or a nation is attached to this verse. It's foundation has been pulverized to replace God.

chip manufacturers use sand that contains as much silicon as possible. The mineral quartz is ideal for this purpose because its two main components are silicon and oxygen. Quartz is a very common mineral, present in many types of rock; and sand often has a high quartz content because it's mostly pulverized rock.

"Healthy Foundations/Practices go Hand-in-Hand"

*Luke 6:9 Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?"

*Luke 6:10 He looked around at them all, and then said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He did so, and his hand was completely restored.

- **1. Jesus confronts** the Pharisees hypocrisy about the Sabbath by healing on the Sabbath repeatedly.
- 2. Luke 6:1-5 The proper foundation for the Sabbath was remembering a day for intimacy & holiness with God. A day of blessings not another burden.
- 3. Matthew 12:1-13, Mark 2:23-27—3:1-6, The synoptic connection of these stories revealing Jesus deep distress at their stubborn hearts. (Mark 3)
- 4. John 5:1-16—7:21-24 & Luke 13:10-15 & again in John 9:1-41 Jesus proves a day of worshipping God is filled with awe, blessings, & miracles.

Luke 6:11-38 Is Applying Jesus teachings to the meaning of being a disciple, dealing with enemies, and judging others. (Foundations for Christian life)

"Two Keys for the Christian Life" (Luke 6:39-45)

*Luke 6:41"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? (Parable of the Eye) *Luke 6:45 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. (Parable of a Good Tree)

- 1. **The two keys for a good foundation** in a Christian life teaches the power of the "eye" and the "heart."
- 2. **The eye:** Needs God's help in removing the obstacles that are keeping us from seeing His Kingdom and His **foundations**.
- 3. **The heart:** If it's fruit comes out of a polluted heart; it will never be worthy of eating. Only the fruit from a heart whose **foundation** is deeply rooted in Christ will produce a good Character. (Galatians 5:22-26)
- 4. **No Substitutes:** Nothing can replace God's **foundations**. His role is supreme!

Side Note: Jerusalem, Hebrew meaning, foundation of Peace & Eternal City.