



Week 11: Our Foundation

In Matthew 7:13-27, Jesus contrasts the broad road of self-rule—which produces the works of the flesh and leads to destruction—with the narrow road of surrender, where the Spirit grows a new kind of life. We enter the narrow gate through faith, confession, repentance, and baptism, and we build our lives on His words like a wise person building on the rock. In the end, there are two roads, two foundations, but only one Way—and that Way is Jesus.

Discussion Questions:

1. **Read Matthew 7:13-27.** Where do you find yourself drifting onto the broad road, and what helps pull you back to the narrow road? Why do you think Jesus says few will find it?
2. **Read Galatians 5:16-25.** Which of the works of the flesh do you see most often in our culture, and why do you think they're so destructive when they become a way of life? The fruit of the Spirit grows from a surrendered heart. Which fruit do you think is most evident in your life right now and which do you desire God to develop more deeply in you?
3. Matthew 7:21-23 is jarring. What are some subtle ways we can deceive ourselves spiritually, thinking we're close to Jesus because of our activity, familiarity, or knowledge? How can we cultivate true relational intimacy with Him?
4. The narrow road requires surrender that is both decisive and ongoing. What part of your life feels most resistant to Jesus right now—your past wounds, your habits, your schedule, your finances, your ambitions, your relationships? What might surrender look like in that area?
5. Jesus ends by calling us to build our lives on the rock. What is one practical change you can make this week to better align your life with the words and ways of Jesus?
6. As you reflect on the series and the way of Jesus, what is your biggest takeaway and how are you leveraging it to deepen your relationship with Him and others?