



Knowing and Obeying Christ
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Message Summary: If we hear the words of Christ and are only amazed by them, then we will be destroyed. If we hear His words and act upon them, then we will be delivered.

I. OUR RECEIPT OF HIS WORD

- a. To have and to hear the Words of God is an incredible grace to us.
- b. As Jesus ends His sermon by saying, “everyone who hears these words of Mine,” we should consider those who still haven’t.
- c. The Word is meant to be shared through us and not just studied.

II. OUR RESPONSIBILITY WITH HIS WORD

- a. Doing the words:
 - i. Our problem is not access to His Word but acting upon it.
 - ii. Obedience is not optional (Lk. 6:46; Jam. 1:22-25; 1 Jn. 1:6; 2:4)
- b. Whether we are wise or foolish is revealed by what we do with Christ’s words.
- c. Foundations are designed to have an adequate load capacity.
 - i. Nothing can carry the weight of our lives and the storms we face like the Word of God.
- d. The storms of life reveal whether our lives are truly built upon God’s word.
- e. The collapse will be great of the one who builds his life on anything other than God’s Word.
 - i. The result of disobedience will be devastation and destruction (Lk. 6:49).
- f. Ezra 7:10: “For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.”

III. OUR REACTION TO HIS WORD

- a. Jesus is not just an admirable scribe but the authoritative Savior.
- b. We don’t want to just be amazed by His Words but accept them and act upon them.
- c. Unlike the prophets, Jesus never says, “Thus says the Lord,” because He is the Lord, in the flesh, speaking for Himself. Emmanuel.
- d. Upon receiving Christ’s Words, our response reveals whether we view Him as our Ruler or not.
- e. May we not just be astonished by His Sermon but submitted to His authority.