

Summer on the Mount | When Life's Storms Hit

Last Week

How did you apply last week's lesson on following Jesus? Who did you share the lesson with?

Opener

Can you describe a time when something in life caught you off guard and how it made you feel?

Questions

What's your first impression when you find out that following Jesus ensures there will be storms in your life? What do you think the lesson is in this?

How does a Christian prepare for the bad times? What are some things you can do to help yourself weather the storm?

Jesus warns us that hearing His words but not doing them can't protect us from life's bad events but if we hear and do them, we'll be ready. What does this tell us about God's love for us? What does this tell us about ourselves?

For yourself, what are some things you know you need to do to strengthen your foundation in your relationship with Jesus?

Scripture Discovery:

Have yourself, another group member, or all group members read the following Scripture out loud

Matthew 7:24-27 (NLT)

"Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash."

What does this passage tell us about God?

- What does this passage tell us about people?
- How do you need to apply this passage to your life?
- And who are you going to tell?

Pray