

KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 16th August (KEC SERVICE ONLINE)

Before the livestream starts at 9am:

KIDS VIDEO will be made available by 8.30am. This week, we will take a break from our Acts series and the Mission of the Risen King Jesus, and follow the adults as we learn about the wise and foolish builder. How should we build our lives?

Direct link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=05zvcmP6XiY>

9am – Livestream starts

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0. Starter discussion question: “Without looking at today’s passage, what do you think it means to be like a wise man who built his house on the rock?”

1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Isaiah 28:16-26

2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Bobby Langat)

SONG 1: Speak O Lord

SONG 2: Cornerstone

3. Learning to read the Bible: Literary Styles

4. Prayers of intercession

- World: Belarus
- Nation:
- KVBC NextGen

5. Bible reading: Matthew 7:24-29

²⁴ “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. 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. ²⁷ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

²⁸ When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, ²⁹ because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

SERMON OUTLINE: A Jesus person...builds soundly (Matt. 7:24-29)

Life is short

Taking stock

*What are you building your life upon?

What Jesus has been concerned about at the end of the Sermon on the Mount

The danger of deluding ourselves

Make sure you build wisely!

1. You build wisely when you do what Jesus says

Only two ways to build your life

What is *not* the difference/contrast?

Spot the difference! (v.24 & v.26)

Doing?!?

What the wise and foolish builder have in common

Only the wise builder is interested in obedient faith

Is that your ambition?

What Jesus is really saying

2. You build wisely when you lay storm-proof foundations

Storms reveal the truth

What is the storm?

Primarily final judgement

Immediate context (Matthew 7)

OT background (eg. Ezekiel 13:13-16)

Matthew's wider context (cf. Matthew 25:1-13)

The wise man is the one who builds his life in such a way he is ready to meet his Maker

Once again, outward vs inner

No one builds his house knowingly on sand!

But Sin acts as a master conman

3. You build wisely when you heed Jesus' authority

Jesus: It's what you do with *my words* that determine the trajectory of your life

Our relationship with him is revealed by our response to his words

Who speaks like this?

Teachers of the law compared to Jesus

The Sermon on the Mount doesn't confront us with teaching, but with the Teacher

This Teacher is the very embodiment of his teaching

Decision time

What would you build your life upon?

Song of response: Cornerstone

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Pastoral Update
- SotM reflections: <https://www.bemkec.my/sotmreflections>
- Pastor Brian "away" at NextGen conference (Aug 19-22, also on leave Aug 25)
- Webinar: "How to read the Book of Revelation" with Dr. Rohintan Mody (Sat 29th August, 10.30am-12.30pm)
- Equip class: NT1
- Giving
- Prayer Meeting

BENEDICTION

¹⁸ But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

- 2 Peter 3:18