

SERMON GUIDE

“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness. Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it. And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.” **Matthew 7:21-29**

KINGDOM VALIDATION IS SETTLED ON KINGDOM TRANSFORMATION.

OUTLINE

Kingdom transformation is recognizable when . . .

1. My profession has persistent proof (vs. 21-23).
2. My reception has radical ramification (vs. 24-27).
3. My astonishment has absolute allegiance (vs. 28-29).

REFLECT

1. Read Philippians 1:6 and spend some time considering what this verse says regarding proof as a result of a transformed heart. Memorize Philippians 1:6.
2. Consider what proof in your private life looks like in relation to what you profess.

PRAY

1. Pray that God would show you the areas of your life that weaken your confidence/foundation in Christ.
2. Ask God to stir in your heart your amazement and affections towards Jesus, and to let that amazement drive your actions.
3. Pray that your hearing of what Jesus says will drive you to conviction and inspire response.

DISCUSS

1. What life transformations can you articulate that marks your life-change in Jesus Christ?
2. What is the foundation of your life and how does it respond to the storms of this life?
3. When the storms of life come, what weaknesses in your foundation are in jeopardy of being exposed?
4. What are ways you cultivate your amazement and allegiance for Jesus? What does allegiance to what Jesus commands look like in your life?

