# Living Faith: Foundations From The Gospels



Explore the Gospels to understand how faith must be grounded in obedience, not only hearing, following Jesus' teaching of the house on the rock.





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#### Introduction

Welcome to Living Faith: Foundations From The Gospels! This three-day study invites you to journey through the Gospels with a special focus on *Luke* 6:46–49, where Jesus teaches about the house built on the rock. This passage highlights that true faith is not merely listening to God's Word but putting it into action through obedience.

The Gospels reveal the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus—the very foundation of Christian faith. However, Jesus consistently calls His followers to more than just belief; He calls them to obey His commands, live by His example, and build their lives on a solid foundation. As you study each day, consider how the message of the Gospels challenges you to build your spiritual house on the rock–solid foundation of obedience.

By diving into the primary passages and supporting Scriptures, you'll gain deeper insight into the nature of faith, the importance of hearing Jesus' words, and the transformative power of living them out. This study will help you move beyond surface-level hearing toward obedient living, shaping a faith that endures life's storms.

Get ready to reflect, journal, and pray as you build a lasting faith that stands strong amidst challenges. Let's begin this exciting exploration of Jesus' teachings and their practical impact on your life!

















#### Your Verse

Luke 6:46—49 NIV: "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? ... They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock."

### **Supporting Scriptures**

- James 1:22 "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves."

  Do what it says."
- Matthew 7:24 "Anyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."







# Devotional: From Hearing to Obedience: The Firm Foundation

**Jesus questions the disconnect between calling Him 'Lord' and failing to obey His commands.** In *Luke 6:46–49*, Jesus paints a vivid picture of two builders. The first hears His words but doesn't obey, building a house on the sand. The second hears and obeys, digging deep and laying a strong foundation on rock. This solid foundation enables the house to withstand storms.

Faith that rests on mere hearing is fragile. Our hearts and actions must respond fully to the voice of the Lord. Hearing without obedience deceives us and leaves us vulnerable when trials assault our lives. To build on the rock means trusting Jesus not only with our lips but also with our lives.

Consider your heart today. Are you merely hearing Jesus' words, or are you deeply applying them? God desires obedience—a wholehearted compliance with His will rooted in faith. Obedience transforms knowledge into wisdom and words into lasting impact.

As storms come, your obedience will prove whether your faith endures firmly or falters. Jesus calls you to build your life on the rock by answering His call with action.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	. In what ways might I have been hearing God's Word but not fully obeying it?		
2.	What does it look like practically to 'dig down deep' and build my life on Christ's foundation?		
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3.	How have life's storms tested the foundation of my faith so far?		







# **Journaling Prompts**

	Write about a time when obedience to God made a significant difference in your life.
2.	List ways you can actively obey Jesus' teachings daily.
3.	Reflect on how your faith feels when you're simply hearing versus when you're obeying.







## Prayer for Today

Dear Lord, help me to be more than a hearer of your Word. Teach me to obey wholeheartedly and build my life on the unshakable rock of Your truth. Strengthen my faith through my actions so that when storms come, I remain steadfast and secure in You. May my life reflect Your love and obedience each day. In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 🕦 🗀









Day 2: Faith in Action









Day 2: 7 Faith in Action

#### Your Verse

Matthew 7:24—27 NIV: "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... 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."

### Supporting Scriptures

- John 14:15 "If you love me, keep my commands."
- Romans 1:5 "Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith."







Day 2: 7 Faith in Action

#### Devotional: Obedience as the Fruit of Faith and Love

Obedience is not burdensome; it is the evidence of genuine faith and love for Jesus. In *Matthew 7:24–27*, Jesus reiterates the importance of putting His words into practice. The wise builder chooses obedience, resulting in a home that withstands wind and rain. This metaphor encourages us to live out our faith actively, demonstrating our love for Christ through obedience.

Obedience flows from love and grace—not obligation. When we truly love Jesus, obedience becomes a joyful response to His authority. The apostle Paul reminds us that obedience comes from faith, flowing naturally as a fruit of the Spirit's work in our lives.

Consider how your daily actions demonstrate your faith. Does your life testify to a foundation built on Christ's words? Or are there areas where faith has become passive hearing? The gospel calls us beyond assent to active participation in God's kingdom through obedient living.

Faith in action builds resilience and shapes your character to reflect Christ's image. Today is an invitation to deepen your commitment, living faith that is visible and strong.







Day 2: 🍞 Faith in Action

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How does loving Jesus motivate my obedience rather than obligation?
2.	What are some specific ways I can put Jesus' words into practice daily?
3.	How does obedience shape the resilience of my faith during difficult times?







Day 2: 🍞 Faith in Action

## **Journaling Prompts**

	Describe moments where obedience to God felt challenging but led to growth.
2.	Identify areas in your life needing more faithful obedience.
	Write a prayer asking God to transform your hearing into active obedience.







Day 2: Faith in Action

# **Prayer for Today**

Lord Jesus, fill my heart with love for You that moves me to obey your commands joyfully. Help me to put Your words into daily practice, building a resilient faith. Strengthen me to stand firm when storms come, trusting that my foundation in You is secure. May my actions reflect Your grace and truth. In Your name, Amen. \*\*\mathbb{\text{P}} \frac{\text{C}}{\text{C}} \frac{\text{T}}{\text{C}} \frac{\text{T}}{\text{C}}









# Day 3: V Standing Firm in Trials









Day 3: V Standing Firm in Trials

#### Your Verse

Luke 6:47—49 NIV: "Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice is like a man building a house... When the flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it because it was well built."

### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Ephesians 6:13 "...take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day."
- 1 Peter 1:6—7 "In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials..."







Day 3: V Standing Firm in Trials

### Devotional: Faith Built to Endure Life's Storms

The storms of life are inevitable, but your foundation determines your victory. Jesus concludes His teaching by emphasizing the stability that comes from hearing and doing His words. The well-built house withstands torrents and floods, symbolizing the spiritual protection obedience provides.

Paul urges believers to take up the full armor of God, equipping us to stand firm during challenges. Similarly, Peter reminds us that trials test and refine our faith, producing perseverance and hope. These Scriptures encourage us that obedience is our defense and strength in times of adversity.

Reflect on your personal storms. How has your obedience to Jesus' Word fortified your faith in difficult moments? Are there ways you can deepen this foundation to face future challenges?

This final day beckons you to take your faith beyond theory into unwavering trust and obedience, fortified against life's floods by the enduring Rock—Jesus Christ.







Day 3: **(**) Standing Firm in Trials

# Reflect and Apply

1.	In what ways has obedience strengthened my ability to face trials?
2.	How can I better 'put on the armor of God' in daily spiritual battles?
	What hope does God offer through trials, and how does obedience connect to that hope?







Day 3: **(**) Standing Firm in Trials

# **Journaling Prompts**

	Journal about a recent trial and how your faith foundation influenced your response.
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2.	List spiritual 'armor' you want to embrace more fully.
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	Write a prayer surrendering your challenges to God and committing to obedience.
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Day 3: **()** Standing Firm in Trials

## Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for the promise of strength through obedience and the protection You provide against life's storms. Help me stand firm on the foundation of Your Word when challenges come. Equip me with Your armor and refine my faith through trials. May I trust You wholly and live in obedience daily. In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.







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