The House that Jesus Built

Luke: All Things New



Series Goal

That Mercy Hill Church would be made new as we follow the One who is making all things new!



Sermon Text

Luke 6:46-49



Big Idea

If we are to make it through the coming judgment we must not only hear Christ's words but do them.

(1) The Lord Warns

Set in the background of His whole exhortation here is a warning—particularly, a warning concerning the coming judgment. The image He uses to convey this to us is that of a river swelling, and flooding, and breaking out against the houses around (vv. 48-49).

(2) The Lord Questions

"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?" (v. 46). With this question Jesus is identifying the disconnect that often exists between our lips and our lives. And Jesus wants to know why? Where does this hearing and doing dynamic break down for us?

- (1) What He Tells Us to Do Is Not Easy
- (2) What He Tells Us to Do Is Not Popular
- (3) We Don't Trust Him
- (4) We Don't Want Him

(3) The Lord Saves

In the end, Jesus will do more to prepare us for the coming judgment than just warn us, or ask searching questions of us, He will die and rise for us, and, in that, lay the foundation for a house strong, stable, and pleasing to God. Judgment day comes early for Christ on the cross. Though by His own admission, Jesus only did that which He saw His Father doing (John 5:19), though He was always and only perfectly obedient to His Father, on the cross it's as if the dam of heaven opened up and the floodwaters of God's wrath broke against Him in full measure, and He was shaken down to the dirt. He took my fall. So that upon Him, in Him, through Him, I can start to build something pleasing to the Lord!

Reflection Questions



- Which side would you say you struggle more with: *hearing* or *doing* Christ's word? Explain. How do you think you can grow in this?
- Which of the four answers to the Lord's question (v. 46) resonated most with you? How have you seen these play out in your own life? Give at least one example.
- Why is "doing" Christ's word so important for the judgment day? I thought we were saved by grace. Explain how these two realities (works and grace) hold together. Use the Scriptures in your response.
- Similarly, what does it mean that Jesus is our foundation? For clarification, read 1 Cor 3:10-15. What materials would you say you have been building with lately? Why?