



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of January 30, 2022

Please use these questions to stay connected as a church to meditate on the same sermon preached from God's Word this week. May this be a fruitful time for the building up of our church and for the spread of the gospel.

Sermon Text

Luke 6:46-49

46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? 47 Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: 48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. 49 But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, <http://hawaiiikaichurch.org/sermononline>

Summary

Jesus concludes His sermon with challenging words to His followers: **"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"** Jesus wants us to know we are in great danger when we are simply hearers of God's word but not doers of God's word. The difference between the two will be revealed by the trials of life. One will live secure upon a solid foundation, and the other will immediately fall away because there was no foundation to support him through the storms.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why are religious people who claim to be Christian, who go to church and participate in church activities, the ones who need to heed Jesus' warnings the most? How do the storms of life reveal what kind of person you truly are?**
- 2. Why do you think some people can get caught up in the amazing truth and emotional impact of Jesus' teaching, without ever truly changing the way they live?**

- 3. What kind of change should you see in the life of a true believer? What if a person was already a strong, forgiving, sweet natured, kind, giving person before becoming a believer - will you still see a change in their lives? How so?**
- 4. Why does Jesus use the image of a house built upon the rock to represent a true believer's life? Would a stranger looking at your life, recognize that you have a firm immovable foundation in Christ? Why or why not?**
- 5. Jesus describes the ruined life of the one who hears Jesus' words and joins the crowd of believers, but never truly repents of his sin to follow Christ in complete humble obedience. What should you do to ensure that you don't fall into this category?**