

## **SERMON TEXT**

*"Hurricane Proof"*

Matthew 7:21–27

<sup>21</sup> “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. <sup>22</sup> 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?’ <sup>23</sup> And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’

<sup>24</sup> “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> 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. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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.”

## **SERMON NOTES**

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**MEDITATION**

The Bible is an armory of heavenly weapons, a laboratory of infallible medicines, a mine of exhaustless wealth. It is a guidebook for every road, a chart for every sea, a medicine for every malady, and a balm for every wound. Rob us of our Bible and our sky has lost its sun.

– Thomas Guthrie

**OPENING SONG**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The presence of God is our strength,  
*Our refuge in times of trouble.*  
When God is with us, there is joy in our hearts,  
*Therefore we rejoice and give thanks.*  
For you alone, O Lord are God,  
*The one who reigns in all the earth.*

*Based on Psalm 46*

**PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**WORSHIP IN SONG**

**PRAYING THE SCRIPTURE**

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup> He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. <sup>3</sup> And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. <sup>4</sup> Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, <sup>5</sup> but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: <sup>6</sup> whoever says he abides in him

ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

*1 John 2:1–6*

**CONFESSION**

Heavenly Father, you have saved me for your glory, demonstrated your love and power in my life, and you have promised never to leave me or forsake me. Yet when confronted with challenges and uncertainties of life, my faith has been small and my response selfish. I fear my own needs, and I shrink from the needs of others. I struggle in my own weak efforts, fail to love those around me, and look in vain for comfort in useless and sinful pursuits. Forgive me, Lord. And fill me with humble confidence in your love, power, and purpose come what may.

**GRACE**

<sup>9</sup> I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

*John 10:9–10*

**SONG OF GRACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**CLOSING SONG**

**BENEDICTION**

**PRAYERS OF MEDITATION**

**Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth**

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise.

**Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin**

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith.

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