

The Two Builders

Matthew 7:24-27, Luke 6:46-49

Jesus' **Parables**

"Why do you call me, 'Lord,' but you don't obey me?" Jesus asked the people.

Then Jesus told a parable to explain the difference between hearing and obeying.

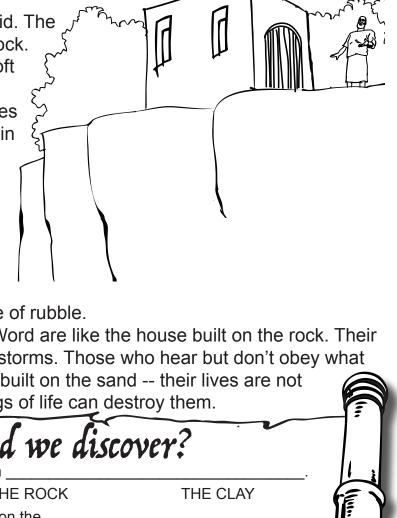
There were two builders, Jesus said. The wise one built his house on a hard rock. The foolish one built his house on soft sand.

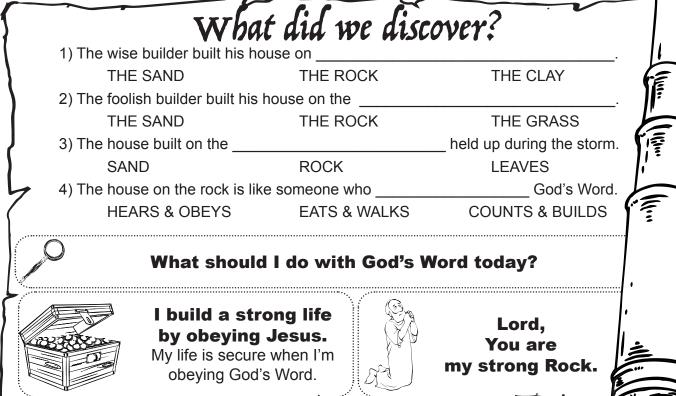
When they had finished their houses a storm came. The wind blew, the rain fell, the rivers overflowed and both houses were hit with the wind, rain and flood.

The house on the rock stayed strong and steady in the storm. It's foundation was well built. However, the house on the sand, shook and

then crumbled to the ground in a pile of rubble.

Those who hear and obey God's Word are like the house built on the rock. Their lives are strong and hold up in life's storms. Those who hear but don't obey what God's Word says are like the house built on the sand -- their lives are not stable and the storms and hard things of life can destroy them.





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