

What's Happening at Church

You can use the **Connection Card** to ask a question, leave us a comment, or request us to pray for you. Drop off your Connection Card at the back table *after* the service!

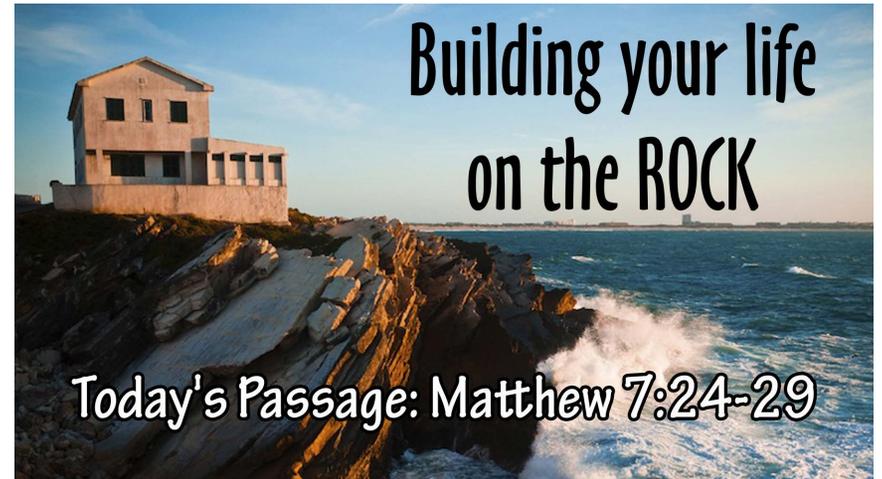
Thanksgiving Basket Update: Thank you to all of you who donated and served by packing baskets for our annual outreach! We were able to pack 120 baskets for those in need in our community!

White Elephant Gift Exchange: Both LifeCity and EVC will be participating in this year's White Elephant Gift Exchange! Please bring one gift (new) per family to join in on the fun. There is a \$5 minimum. We will be exchanging gifts on Sunday, December 5th following service. Food provided.

Decorate our Church for Christmas: Come out on Saturday December 4th from 10am-12pm to help decorate our church. We will be putting up Christmas trees and decorations around the campus. Contact Pastor Pat if you have any questions.

Joint Service with BAPTISMS: Join us on December 5th for a joint service between East Valley Church and LifeCity Church with Baptisms! If you are interested in being Baptized or have questions about it, please contact Pastor Pat or Pastor John. Service time is 10 am at EVC. We are excited to serve Christ together.

Women's Winter Movie Night: Ladies! Join us Friday Dec 17th at 7pm in the Ed Center for a Women's Winter Movie Night. Wear your favorite Christmas PJs or ugly sweater and enjoy some hot cocoa and popcorn while watching a movie together. Sign up in the back of the worship center and contact Anna-Lisa or Kristen if you have any questions.



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The Wise and Foolish Builder

“Everyone who hears these words of mine...”

How are the two builders the same?

How are the two builders different?



The Wise Builder...

“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 (v. 24).”

1. Puts what he hears into _____.

“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.” James 1:22

“3) We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. 4) Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar.” I John 2:3-4

2. Prepares for _____ storms by searching for rock to build on.

“They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock.” Luke 6:48

“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?” Luke 14:28

The Foolish Builder...

“But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand (v. 26).”

1. Overconfident in his own _____ to build.

“So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall!” I Corinthians 10:12

2. Focuses on the quick and easy way today rather than preparing for his eternal _____.

“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.” Matthew 7:13

Why build on the ROCK?

The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.”

Luke 14:28-29

Why not build on SAND?

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.”

II Corinthians 5:10

Personal Follow-up Study

Make some time this week to prayerfully and honestly answer the following questions

1. Looking at James 1:22, why do we deceive ourselves if we just listen to God's Word and not do what it says? _____

2. Are you building your eternal future on the ROCK (God) or on the SAND (Worldly things)? Would others know it by how you live your life? Why or why not? _____

3. How is God like a ROCK in your life? _____

4. What storms are you going through right now that you need God's help? _____
