

A photograph of a stone castle wall with crenellations, built on a grassy hill. The wall is made of dark, irregular stones. The background shows a hazy, overcast sky and distant hills.

Laying Our Foundation

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Some Facts About Foundation

- Bible teaching on our foundation in Messianic age
 - *Isaiah 28:16-17* Precious cornerstone to be laid in Zion
 - *Matthew 21:42* Jesus refers to the prophecy & applies it
 - *Acts 4:11* Peter taught that Jesus fulfilled to prophecy
 - *Ephesians 2:19-22* Paul applied to spiritual temple in Christ
 - *1 Peter 2:4-8* Peter quotes and applies to those in Christ
 - *1 Corinthians 3:9-11* Foundation of truth dependent of Jesus
- Our lives need to be founded upon that given by God
 - *Luke 6:46-49* Hearing & obeying Christ = Founded on rock
 - *Matthew 7:24-27* Parallel ending Sermon on the Mount
 - *2 Timothy 2:19* Foundation is certain & revealed in Scripture
- Learn of foundation not by emotional feeling, personal revelation or thoughts of inner man → **Scripture**

Considering My Foundation in Life

- Do I have a foundation in my life?
 - Some have no foundation, but go through life reacting to the situations that occur in life
 - These are described in parable of sower (*Lk. 8:13-14*)
 - Doctrinally, they are tossed about by error (*Eph. 4:13-15*)
- Have I dug deep to prepare my foundation?
 - Some have a veneer of foundation, but it has no substance
 - Parable of talents describe this difference (*Matt. 25:14f*)
 - Diligent effort & much time to build properly (*2 Tim. 2:15*)
- Who or what gives strength to foundation of my life?
 - Christ is the only lasting foundation (*1 Cor. 3:11*)
- In order to lay the one true & enduring foundation, we learn of Christ in the only way possible → **Gospel**