



Cornerstones

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REMEMBER

"Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock." – Matthew 7:24

READ

Read Matthew 7:24-27. The Bible is one big story telling us about who God is, how we can know Him through Jesus, and how we can live for Him. When we trust in Jesus, God changes our hearts. We want to live for God because we love Him and are grateful for what He has done for us.

We can't miss that last point! It's what Jesus was talking about in Matthew 7 at the end of the Sermon on the Mount. Hearing God's truth isn't enough either. Jesus told us that we are to hear, believe, and live God's truth. Everything we do in life – school, sports, hobbies, how we spend our money and time – is to be done for God.

It all begins with knowing God and loving Him. If we don't know God, it's hard to know how to live for Him. And if we don't love God, it's hard to want to live for Him. Know God. Love God. That's a solid foundation to build on!

THINK

- 1. Why do you think some people do not live the way they know God wants them to live? Is following God difficult for you sometimes too? Why?
- 2. Jesus said the Bible is like a strong foundation to stand on. How can the Bible help us when life is difficult, such as when someone is being unkind to us, when we feel lonely, or when we are tempted to sin?
- 3. What are some reasons you can love God? Hint: Think about who He is, what He has done, and what He has promised.
- 4. What have you learned about God from this book? What are some things you don't know about Him but wish you did? Have you tried looking in the Bible to find out?
- 5. Which questions and answers in this book were the hardest for you to memorize or understand? What helped you to memorize questions and answers in the book? How might that help you memorize Bible verses too?
- 6. How would you describe what the Bible is about to a friend who doesn't know what it is?
- 7. What is one way you can show God's love to someone else this week? Whom can you tell about Jesus?

