

CALL TO PRAYER

Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Let us pause for a moment, and listen attentively to this week's passage.



THE WORD OF GOD

Matthew 7:21-27

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not **prophecy** in your name? Did we not drive out demons in your name? Did we not do mighty deeds in your name?' Then I will declare to them solemnly, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.'"

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and **buffeted** the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock. And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely ruined."

The Gospel of the Lord

FAITH SHARING

Questions of the Week

Choose one

1. In what areas of my life are my actions most in need of conversion if I am to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?
2. Jesus invites us to build our home (faith) on sturdy earth. Name one or two things that your faith life is built upon – (strong morals, good upbringing, good friends).
3. What is one good deed that I can do this week to make me a better follower of Jesus?



Thanks to the Mission Haiti committee for developing these questions.

CLOSING PRAYER

God, your love never fails. Hear our call. Keep us from danger and provide for all our needs. We ask this, as we ask all things, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

GOSPEL WORD SEARCH

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 P R O P H E S Y P U

BUFFETED	DISCIPLES	MATTHEW
BUILT	EVERYONE	PROPHECY
COLLAPSED	FATHER	ROCK
DECLARE	FLOODS	SOLEMNLY
DEEDS	HEAVEN	SOLIDLY
DEMONS	KINGDOM	

GOSPEL GLOSSARY

To **prophecy** is to reveal a message from God, sometimes a message about the future.

To **buffet** means to slam against.