## **Key Points**



#### **Know What:**

- Today we look at part 4 of a series on parables Jesus told. So far we have heard the stories of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Son and the Good Samaritan. This week we are looking at the two builders.
- A parable is an earthly story with a heavenly truth.
- Today's parable can be found in Matthew 7.
- It tells us about two builders who each set out to build a house. The first chooses to build his house on a
  rock whilst the second builds his house upon sand.
- When a flood comes the man whose house is build on sand crumbles while the house on the rock stands firm.

#### So What:

- We have choices about how we live, how we prioritise and what we make most important in our lives.
- Jesus promises to be like a rock for us. No matter what happens he will stand firm in a storm.

#### Now What:

- Let us build our lives and our family's lives on Jesus, on things that are solid and good.
- Let us be a help to others when they are experiencing the storms of life, supporting them and encouraging them to rest in God.



#### **Matthew 7**



<sup>24</sup> "Everyone who hears my words and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. <sup>25</sup> It rained hard, the floods came, and the winds blew and hit that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on rock. <sup>26</sup> Everyone who hears my words and does not obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 It rained hard, the floods came, and the winds blew and hit that house, and it fell with a big ash."





## My God is So Big



My God is so big, so strong and so mighty There's nothing that He cannot do My God is so big, so strong and so mighty There's nothing that He cannot do



The rivers are His, the mountains are His The stars are His handiwork too My God is so big, so strong and so mighty There's nothing that He cannot do



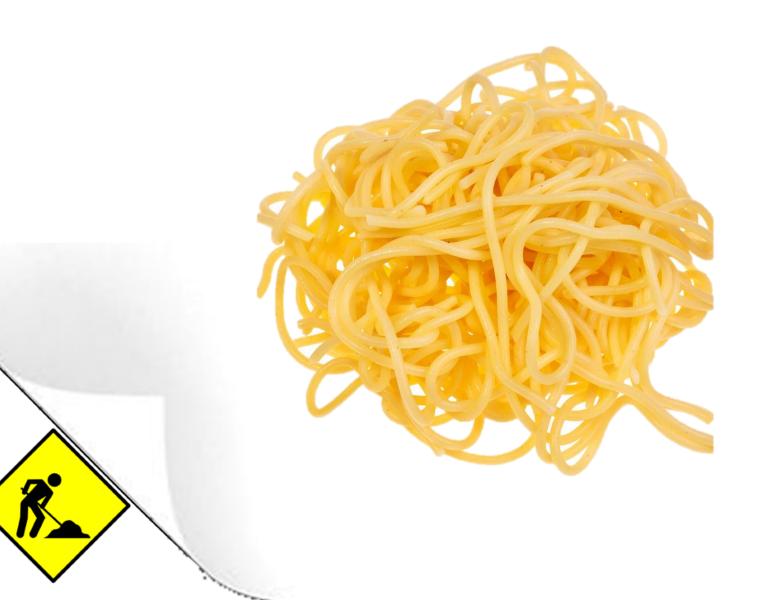
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### Can you build it?





# Our God is a great big God



Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
And he holds us in his hands





He's higher than a skyscraper
He's deeper than a submarine
He's wider than the universe
and beyond my wildest dreams

And he's known me and he's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of God's
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## Be Bold, Be Strong



Be bold, be strong
For the Lord your God is with you.
Be bold, be strong,
For the Lord your God is with you.

I am not afraid,
I am not dismayed,
Because I'm walking in faith and victory,
Come on and walk in faith and victory,
For the Lord your God is with you.



### **Two Builders**







# So what does the story mean?



- What were the men trying to do?
- Why did the first builder choose to build on rock?
- Why did the second builder choose to build on sand?
- What is the house meant to be like?
- What is the rock meant to be like?

### Craft





# **Key Verse**



The LORD is my rock, my protection, my Saviour.

My God is my rock.

**Psalm 18:2** 



#### When I was Lost



When I was lost you came and rescued me Reached down into the pit and lifted me O Lord, such love: I was as far from you as I could be

You know all the things I've ever done But Jesus' blood has cancelled every one O Lord, such grace,

to qualify me as your own



There is a new song in my mouth There is a deep cry in my heart A hymn of praise to Almighty God - hallelujah! And now I stand firm on this Rock My life is hidden now with Christ in God The old has gone and the new has come hallelujah!

Your love has lifted me



Now I have come into your family For the Son of God has died for me O Lord, such peace: I am as loved by you as I could be In the full assurance of your love Now with every confidence we come O Lord, such joy to know that you delight in us



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# The Lord's Prayer



Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be your name.

Your Kingdom come,

Your will be done

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,





And forgive us our sins,

As we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,

Now and forever,

Amen.



# **Let's Pray**





# **Big Family of God**



Some of us are big and tall Some of us are very small Some of us like pink and some like blue Some of us like reading books Some of us like feeding ducks That's because we're different, me and you....



#### But God loves everyone he's made God loves each of us in a special way





That's you and you and you and you And you and you and you God loves you, God loves you That's you and you and you and you And you and you and you We're part of the big family of God



Some of us have curly hair Some of us have specs to wear All of us have different families Some of us are very loud Some of us don't make a sound That's because we're different, you and me.....



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That's you and you and you and you And you and you and you God loves you, God loves you That's you and you and you and you And you and you and you We're part of the big family of God

#### The Grace



May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with us all,
for evermore.

Amen

#### **Notices**



- Pick a book!
- Next week The Parable of the Sower
- Services next week Foundation, 9:31
   Family Service
  - Charles' Retirement! Sign Up Today

