

## Building Your Life on Solid Rock Part 4 From the Inside Out

<sup>24</sup> “Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock.

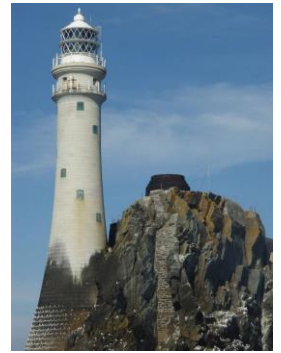
Matthew 7:24

<sup>20</sup> But I warn you—unless your righteousness is better than the righteousness of the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven!

Matthew 5:20

<sup>27</sup> Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men’s bones and all uncleanness. <sup>28</sup> Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

Matthew 23:27-28



### What Would a Church Full of Scribes and Pharisees Look Like?

<sup>23</sup> Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithes of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone. <sup>24</sup> Blind guides, who strain out a gnat and swallow a camel!

<sup>25</sup> Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of extortion and self-indulgence. <sup>26</sup> Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also.

Matthew 23:23-26

### Man is not a sinner because he sins! He sins because he’s a sinner!

<sup>20</sup> And then he added, “It is what comes from inside that defiles you. <sup>21</sup> For from within, out of a person’s heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup> adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you. Mark 7:20-23

### Jesus took the 10 commandments & applied them internally cuz that is where the action of sin

Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. <sup>15</sup> These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

James 1:14-15

<sup>21</sup> “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.’ <sup>22</sup> But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother .....shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, ‘Raca!’ shall be in danger of the council.

But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ shall be in danger of hell fire.

Matthew 5:21-22

## 1. SIN OF MURDER

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Murder *thou shalt not murder* (Ex 20:13) The Bible is **NOT** against all killing!

>Ex 20:24 Sacrificing Animals

>Ex 21:12 Death Penalty for Murder Rom. 13 Genesis 9:6

>Ex. 22:2,3 Defending your family and life is an **obligation!**

### MURDER WOULD INCLUDE

Homicide

Suicide

Infanticide

God values **human life!**

**2. SIN OF ANGER** <sup>22</sup> *But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother..... shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raca!' shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire.* Matthew 5:22

**Murder starts in the HEART! Example in Genesis 4**

**Caustic anger** step 1 *Simply angry at someone and it incubates*

**Contemptuous anger** "raca" *You are totally worthless*

**Condemning anger** "fool" *I hope you rot in Hell if it weren't illegal you'd be dead*

<sup>15</sup> *Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.* I John 3:15

<sup>31</sup> *Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior* Ephesians 4:31

## **REQUIREMENTS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**

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You cannot obtain righteousness by adding to yourself  $0 + 0 = 0$

You'll never be right with God until you get his righteousness  $0 + \infty = \infty$

<sup>3</sup> *For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.* <sup>4</sup> *For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.* Romans 10:3-4

**Real Righteousness is....**

1. **Given** to us by Grace

2. **Planted** in our Hearts

Heart of the problem is the problem of the heart and only solution to that is **JESUS!**