



“THE 41 PARABLES OF JESUS CHRIST”

28 general and 13 kingdom of heaven parables

Parable #3 - “WISE MAN BUILDS ON THE ROCK”

[Matthew 7:21-24,25-27](#); [Luke 6:47-49](#)

The 3rd general parable of 28

BACKGROUND:

In 445BC, with **one Bible week** equating to **seven years** (a prophetic year being 360 days), God commanded that **seventy weeks** each of **7 years**, would be determined upon Israel, that is ... **70 weeks x 7 years = 490 years** ([Daniel 9:24-27](#)). This time frame is broken into **four** time periods of (a) **7 weeks** + (b) **62 weeks** + (c) the mystery church age of about 2,000 years + (d) **1 week = 70 weeks** and is explained as follows:

#1. **Seven** weeks of years is **7 x 7 = 49** years ... the time it takes to restore and build Jerusalem from 445BC to 396BC.

#2. **Sixty two** weeks of years is **62 x 7 = 434** years ... the time from the building of Jerusalem in 396BC to Christ being cut off at the cross in 32AD.

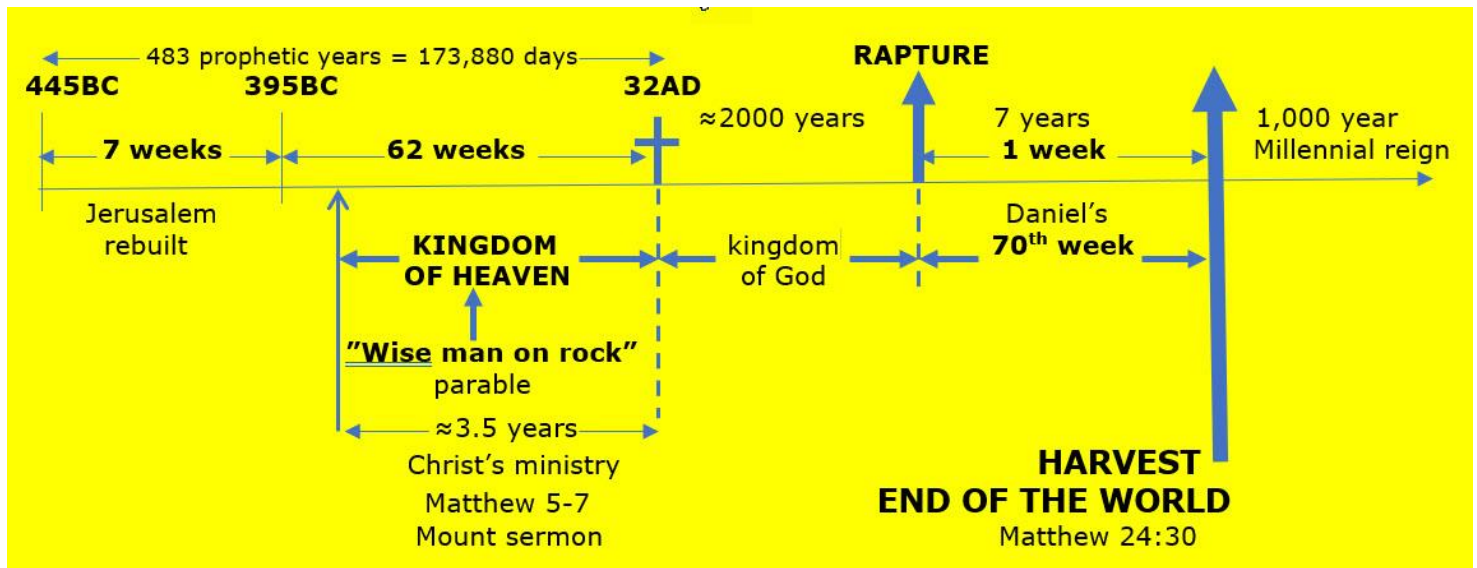
#3. The church age of approximately 2,000 years

#4. **One week** of years is **1 x 7 = 7** years ... this is the seven years of tribulation of God's wrath upon the earth, that takes place after the rapture ... called **Daniel's 70th week**.

The following **Timeline** will help (not drawn to scale):

[DANIEL 9:24-27](#)

“Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city ... from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be **seven weeks**, and **threescore and two weeks** ... after **threescore and two weeks** shall Messiah be cut off ... he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week** ...”



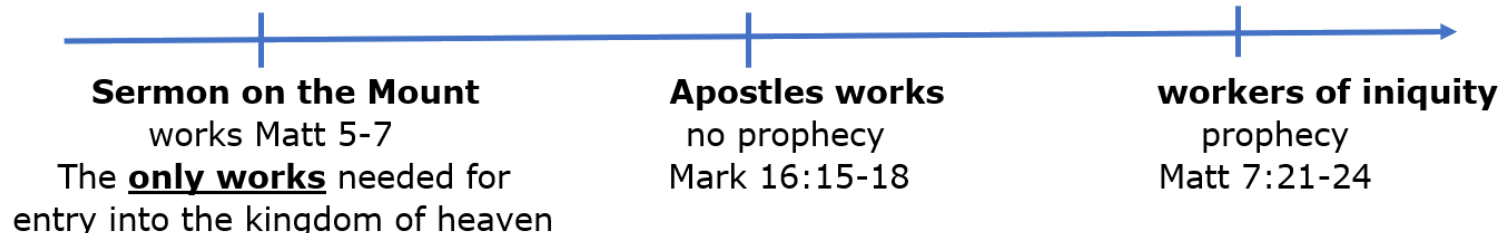
THE WISE MAN BUILDS ON THE ROCK

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into **the kingdom of heaven**; but he that **doeth the will of my Father** which is in heaven. **Many** will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not **prophesied in thy name?** and **in thy name** have **cast out devils?** and **in thy name** done many **wonderful works?** And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that **work iniquity**. Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and **doeth** them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:" ([Matthew 7:21-24](#))

Dear Reader, in a nutshell, the above '**many**' ... in making up their own rules ... had moved ahead of God in their own flesh and will, in attempting to be like the apostles.

These workers of iniquity were disobedient to the instructions for the **only** entry requirements necessary for entry into the kingdom of heaven here on earth as contained in Matthew chapters 5-7.

With Christ's instructions at the end of his ministry on earth, the following works were given **ONLY** to the apostles ... to "**Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ... to cast out devils ... speak with new tongues ... take up serpents ... drink any deadly thing... lay hands on the sick**" and so on ([Mark 16:15-18](#)) ... but even then **THERE IS AN ABSENCE OF BEING ABLE TO PROPHECY**. It looks like this:



These **workers** were **not** building their spiritual house on the Rock of Christ and his instructions for entry into the kingdom of heaven (Matthew chapters 5-7) ... but **were making up their own rules** ... in **their** name ... not **thy** (Christ's) **name!** Christ's analogy, his parable, is that they are building their spiritual house on sand not on rock ... an absolute futile exercise ... they were foolish ... they were **workers of iniquity!**

And here's the thing ... here was **the Rock** ([Deuteronomy 32:4, 15, 18](#); [2 Samuel 23:3](#); [Psalm 18:2](#); [Matthew 16:18](#); [1 Corinthians 10:4](#)) talking about **rock things** ... as in the sower ([Matthew 13:13](#)).

If they would see Christ as the Rock and continuously believe on him, they would gain entry into the kingdom of heaven. And of course, until they repented, their destiny would be the fires of hell.

APPLICATION TO THE CHRISTIAN

So here's the thing ... Christians and Christian churches are half way in between as it were.

It's a saved man, inside the Rock, **building his spiritual house on sand** by

1. Making up their own rules and **constitutions**
2. Building on the **Greek**
3. Using the mixed mortar of **different dispensations**
4. Dialling up **Calvin** for support
5. Throw in some **water baptisms** and **tithing**

Ooops! Crumbly! Crumbly!

**"All the king's horses and all the king's men,
couldn't put Humpty Dumpty back together again!"**

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

QUESTION: "ARE THERE ANY CHRISTIANS IN THE BOOK OF MATTHEW?"



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