BUILDING ON THE ROCK

Matthew 7:24 "Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on

solid rock.

	nough the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't be because it is built on bedrock.											
The _	Of Jesus Coming											
	Matthew 5:17 "Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose.											
	The Mosaic Law Basically Consists Of Four Parts											
	The Law - Ten Commandments											
	The Law - The Way To Worship											
	The Law - Government											
	The Law - What To Eat											
	Romans 5:20 God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant.											
	Galatians 3:17 This is what I am trying to say: The agreement God made with Abraham could not be canceled 430 years later when God gave the law to Moses. God would be breaking his promise. 18 For if the inheritance could be received by keeping the law, then it would not be the result of accepting God's promise. But God graciously gave it to Abraham as a promise. 19 Why, then, was the law given? It was given alongside the promise to show people their sins. But the law was designed to last only until the coming of the child who was promised. God gave his law through angels to Moses, who was the mediator between God and the people. 20 Now a mediator is helpful if more than one party must reach an agreement. But God, who is one, did not use a mediator when he gave his promise to Abraham. 21 Is there a conflict, then, between God's law and God's promises? Absolutely not! If the law could give us new life, we could be made right with God by obeying it. 22 But the Scriptures declare that we are all prisoners of sin, so we receive God's promise of freedom only by believing in Jesus Christ.											
The _	Of Jesus Matthew 5:18 I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not even the smallest detail of God's law will disappear until its purpose is achieved.											
The _	In The Kingdom											
	Matthew 5:19 So if you ignore the least commandment and teach others to do the same, you will be											

called the least in the Kingdom of Heaven. But anyone who obeys God's laws and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven.

The	Needed To Enter The Kingdom

Matthew 5:20 "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 23:1 Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples,

- 2 "The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees are the official interpreters of the law of Moses.
- 3 So practice and obey whatever they tell you, but don't follow their example. For they don't practice what they teach.
- 4 They crush people with unbearable religious demands and never lift a finger to ease the burden.
- 5 "Everything they do is for show....

Righteousness That Outclasses the Pharisees

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Romans 5:20 God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant. 21 So just as sin ruled over all people and brought them to death, now God's wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Matthew 23:25 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy—full of greed and self-indulgence!

26 You blind Pharisee! First wash the inside of the cup and the dish, and then the outside will become clean, too.

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Matthew 6:13 Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.

14 Sin is no longer your master, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God's grace.

Romans 8:1 So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.

- 2 And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.
- 3 The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins.
- 4 He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.