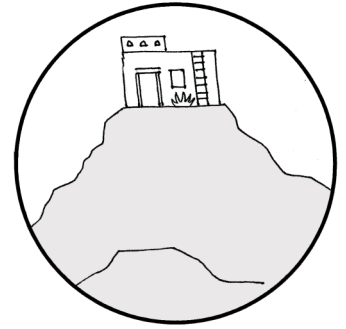


Lesson #1-20

BUILT ON THE ROCK

Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29

**Key Verse:**

“In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 7:12

The Point:

Jesus teaches us to build our lives on a strong foundation.

Unit Theme (January 22—February 5)

Learning to Follow

CRASH!

Tell a live-action story.

You will need:

- † Bible
- † Blue fabric

Instructions:

1. **The story of the wise and foolish man is a wonderful story to act out! So today, we are going to take parts in the story and act it out.**
2. Divide the participants into the following parts: house on the rock (two to four people), house on the sand (two to four people), waves (two people), wind (everyone else).
3. Each of the two house groups will raise their arms and put their hands together forming an A-shaped roof for each house. If you have two lengths of blue fabric, you can have a “wave” for each house; otherwise, the wave can move from the rock house to the sand house. Wind people will make storm noises and wave their arms around the houses.
4. Read Matthew 7:24-29 from the Bible, encouraging participants to act out their parts as they are read. Be sure that the sand house actors collapse with a resounding CRASH at the appropriate time.