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Group Discussion Guide

Read MATTHEW 7:24-29

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

1. Jesus wants us to listen & practice living out His teachings. There are some easier than others. Go around and name one of his teachings you find to be really hard to embrace & follow and the reason why?
2. The idea of practicing is something we can relate to in life. Sports teams, dance teams, bands, & implementing new habits; practicing is part of getting better at anything we want to do. With the one teaching you said from question 1, what's one step you can take toward living out that one teaching of Jesus?
3. None of us want to be like the person building their house on the sand but it's very possible to let certain areas of our lives fall victim to being built on the sand. What are some of the ways we can see the potential in our own lives or others that you could be building on sand?
4. Are there any other insights and perspectives you see from this passage of scripture you'd like to share?