

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Verse 21

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,'
will enter the Kingdom of heaven,
but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven.

Verses 24-25

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and
acts on them will be like a wise man who built
his house on rock.

The rain fell, the floods came,
and the winds blew and buffeted the house.

But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock.

Verses 26-29

And everyone who listens to these words
of mine but does not act on them
will be like a fool who built his house on
sand. The rain fell, the floods came,
and the winds blew and buffeted the
house. And it collapsed and was
completely ruined."

When Jesus finished these words,
the crowds were astonished at his
teaching, for he taught them as one
having authority, and not as their
scribes.

The Gospel of the Lord.