## **Building on a Sure Foundation**

Luke 6:47-49

**Main idea**: To emphasize the importance of building our lives on a solid foundation and provide practical steps for doing so

**Topic**: Foundation

Suggestions for moving forward with your sermon on building on a sure foundation:

- 1. Emphasize the importance of a solid foundation: Expand on the significance of building on a sure foundation by highlighting the consequences of not doing so. Use additional Scripture passages such as Matthew 7:24-27, where Jesus teaches about the wise and foolish builders, to reinforce the message of the importance of a strong foundation.
- 2. Explore the characteristics of a solid foundation: Discuss the qualities of a firm foundation, such as faith, obedience, and trust in God. Use passages like Psalm 18:2 and Proverbs 3:5-6 to illustrate the idea of God as our rock and the need to rely on Him for a strong foundation.
- 3. Address common challenges to building on a sure foundation: Acknowledge the obstacles that people may face when trying to establish a solid foundation in their lives. Use passages like James 1:5-8 to discuss the importance of seeking wisdom from God and avoiding doubt.
- 4. Provide practical steps for building on a sure foundation: Offer practical suggestions for your listeners to apply in their daily lives. For example, encourage

them to prioritize regular prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with other believers. Use passages like Psalm 119:105 and Hebrews 10:24-25 to support these practical steps.

5. Highlight the rewards of building on a sure foundation: Share the blessings and benefits that come from building our lives on a solid foundation. Use passages like Psalm 1:1-3 and Isaiah 58:11 to illustrate the flourishing and stability that result from trusting in God.

Regarding language suggestions from the original languages:

In Luke 6:47-49, the Greek word "themelios" is used for "foundation." This word carries the connotation of a firm and secure base. You can emphasize this aspect by explaining its meaning to your audience.

Additionally, you can explore other instances where "themelios" is used in the Bible. For example, in Ephesians 2:20, it refers to Jesus Christ as the cornerstone of the foundation of the church. This connection can further reinforce the idea of building on a sure foundation in your sermon.

Remember to weave these additional ideas and Scripture passages seamlessly into your existing sermon outline to reinforce your main point and encourage your listeners to build their lives on a solid foundation.