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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 26

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing a **foundation** to you. **1 Cor. 3:11**, *“For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.”*

I believe that anyone who seeks to build a building of any type would realize the old adage: *The house is only as good as its foundation.* When we used to live in the Houston area, there were continual issues with houses built there. The problem was the soil; there was so much sand and clay that moved and expanded and contracted. It was very unstable because of the makeup of it. Many people would have to have foundation work done. And it wasn't cheap either. In fact, as Jesus was speaking to the crowd listening to Him on the mount and He said in **Matt. 7:24-27** *“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.”* Thankfully, God has provided for us a foundation that will never shift; one that will last forever. His name is Jesus. He is our Rock and our firm foundation. There was an old hymn sung when I was young and I still recall the significance of its lyrics:

*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

Have you received the gift of God's foundation in your life? Everything else that people try to build their lives upon will shift, crumble and fail. There is only one eternal foundation, and that is Jesus our Lord. The last verse of that hymn holds a sweet promise:

*“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!”*

Dear Father, thank You for our firm foundation, Jesus. Help us all to be wise builders, and to build upon the rock that will never fail. Thank You for loving us so much that You would give us such stability in a shifting world. In Jesus Name, Amen