

# Parables of Jesus

## Parable—1

### The House Built on the Rock

Matthew 7:24-27; Luke 6:46-49

- ◆ The Word of Christ is the only foundation for faith. Rejection of Christ's Word brings destruction.
- ◆ *Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock* (Matthew 7:24-25).
- ◆ *But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall* (Matthew 7:26-27).

## Parable—2

### The Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37

- ◆ Jesus loved us and came to rescue us when we were fallen and helpless, and considered Him to be a foreigner, stranger, and even our enemy. This parable teaches us the meaning of Christ's work for us as fulfillment of the word, "*Love your neighbor as yourself.*" Who is my neighbor? The one whom I consider to be my enemy.
- ◆ *A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest ... Likewise a Levite, ... came and looked, and passed by on the other side* (vs. 30-32).
- ◆ *But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you"* (vss. 33-35).