

# Matthew 7:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

## Analysis

Rain descended, floods came, winds blew and beat upon the sand-founded house—and it fell with a great fall. The identical storms test both houses. Trials and judgment come to all—professors and possessors alike. Only those whose faith is real and obedience genuine will survive. The great fall is eternal destruction.

## Historical Context

This sobering conclusion summarizes the entire Sermon on the Mount. Jesus has presented Kingdom ethics, righteousness exceeding the Pharisees', and heart religion versus external conformity. Now He warns that hearing without obeying results in catastrophic judgment.

## Related Passages

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

## Study Questions

1. How seriously do you take Jesus's teachings—as helpful suggestions or as authoritative commands requiring obedience?

2. What storms in your life have revealed weaknesses in your spiritual foundation that need addressing?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ κατέβη ἡ βροχὴ καὶ ἥλθον οἱ ποταμοὶ καὶ  
And descended G3588 the rain And came G3588 G2064 the floods And  
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ἔπινευσαν οἱ ἄνεμοι καὶ προσέκοψαν τῇ οἰκίᾳ ἐκείνῃ  
blew G3588 the winds And beat upon G3588 house that  
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καὶ ἔπεσεν καὶ ἦν ἡ πτῶσις αὐτῆς μεγάλη  
And it fell And was G3588 the fall of it great  
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## Additional Cross-References

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**1 Corinthians 3:13** (Parallel theme): Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

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