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²⁴"Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. 25 Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. 26 But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish,

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"like a person who builds a house on sand. 27 When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash." ²⁸When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, ²⁹ for he taught with real authority—quite unlike their teachers of religious law. (NLT)

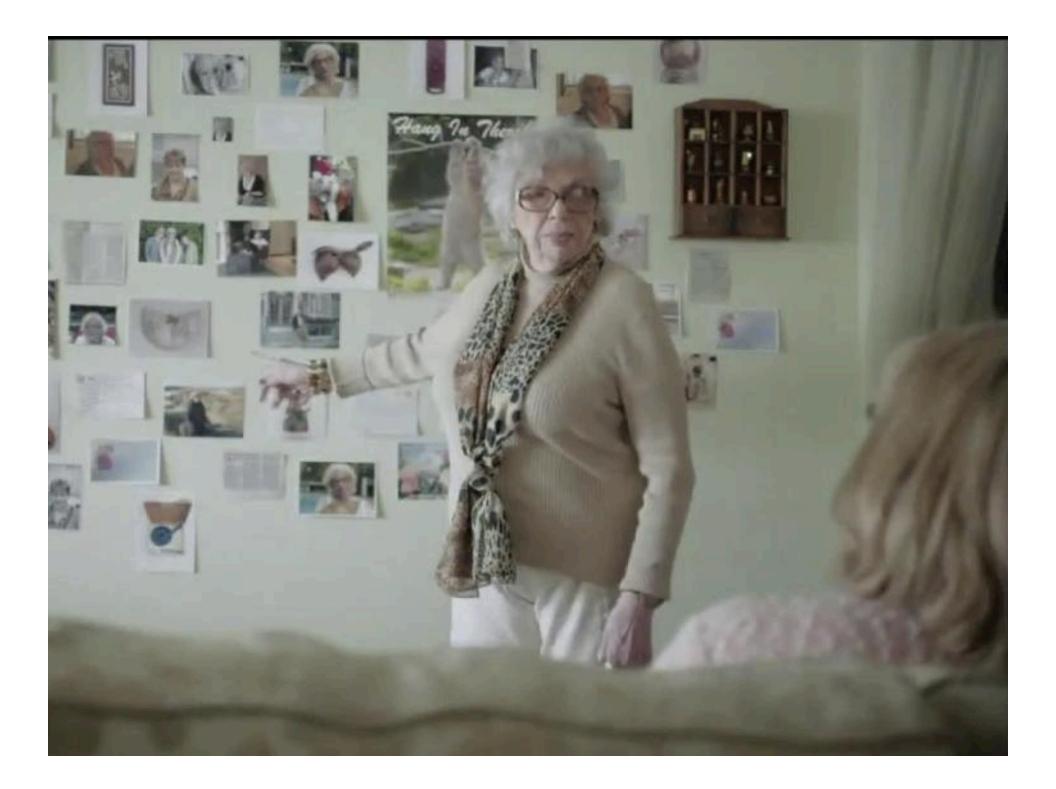


Jesus' Words

- *Listen to and follow?
- *Optional?
- *Talking about other people; THOSE people

Moses & Jesus

- * Moses: Went up Mt Sinai to receive the Law
- *Jesus: Revealed the Kingdom of God on the Mount



The Law led to a focus on our actions; Jesus focused on our hearts, minds and motivations

Jesus' Words

- *Listen and agree to the thought?
- *Listen and respond through Holy Spirit empowered obedience?
- *Listen and ignore?

Responding to Jesus

- *Let His words act as a magnifying glass on your life – your thoughts, your feelings & your motivations
- *Turn any "problem areas" in your heart and mind over to Jesus to change

Can you imagine your life...

- *Without anger
- *Without bitterness
- *Without lust
- *Without hand-wringing worry
- *Without insecurity

God changes our world, by first changing you and me, the people in the world

