





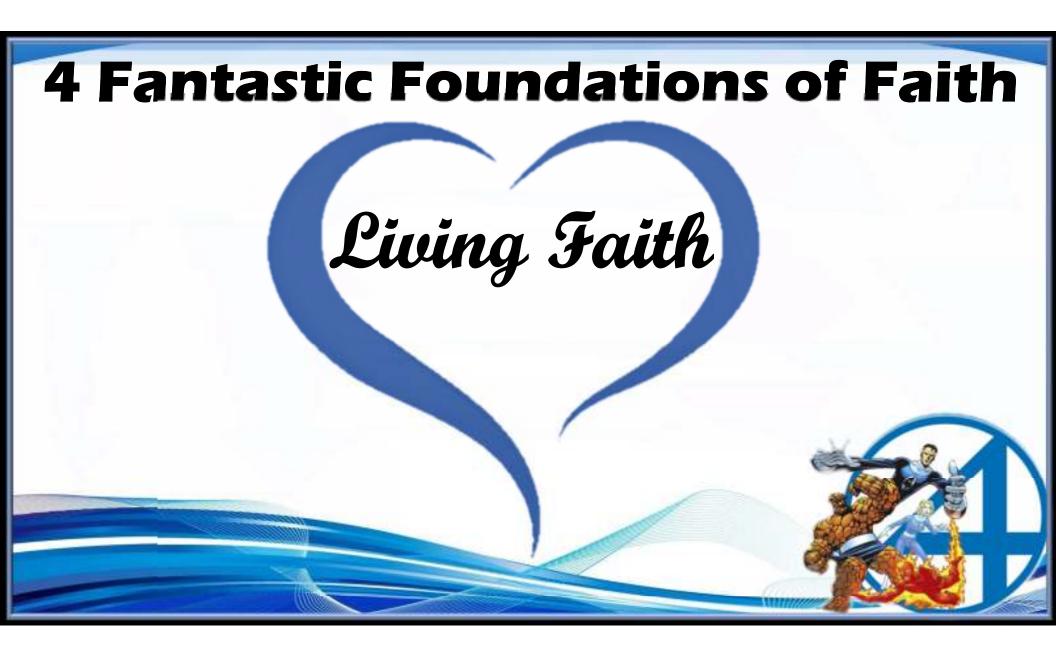






### **4 Fantastic Foundations of Faith**

Narrow and Wide Gate (Matthew 7:13-14) True and False Prophets (Matthew 7:15-20) True and False Disciples (Matthew 7:21-23) Wise and Foolish Home builders (Matthew 7:24-27)



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Translating the relationship into our faith

# Living Faith Begins with A Rock Solid Foundation Matthew 7:24-27

The Thing

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The Difference? Location, Location, Location

# How do I Know I have the right Location?

The Thing

# Sand is Granular Rock is Forged

The Thing

#### **Forged Foundation** We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

The Thing

# Sand is Porous Rock is Solid

The Thing

## **Solid Foundation** (Ben Grimm) Nevertheless, God's solid foundation

stands firm, sealed with this inscription: "The Lord knows those who are his," and, "Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness."

2 Timothy 2:19

# Sand Reacts Rock Resists

The Thing

## Temporary

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming.

**Ephesians 4:14** 

The Thing

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**Resistive** Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

1 Peter 5:8-9

# Finding the Right Real Estate

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## What a Builder Looks for...

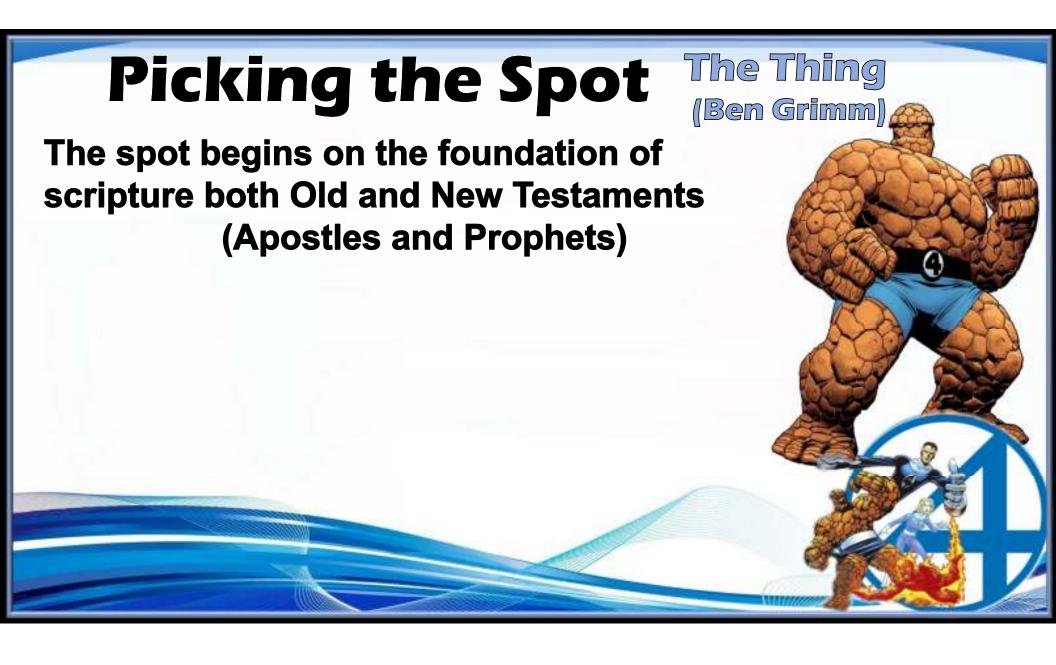
Will it Perc Is it a flood area Is there a water supply (Utilities) What's below the surface of the dirt

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# Picking the Spot The Thing (Ben Grimm)

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

**Ephesians 2:19-22** 



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The spot is developed around the fellowship of believers (Being Built Together)

#### **God's Dwelling Place** Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Revelation 3:19-20

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