**“The Crux of the Matter” Matthew 13:31-32**

Knowing that “everybody loves a story,” Jesus spent much of His time relating heavenly, spiritual truth through parables.

Parables explained: “Para” (beside) + “Ballo” (to throw)

**This parable is intended to teach us that we are to…**

**1. …Never \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**2. …Never \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**3. …Never \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**“Going Deep” Matthew 7:24-29**

Jesus speaks clearly about the importance of having the right foundation for our lives because of the inevitability of storms in our lives!

**1. Storms always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**2. Storms \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**3. Storms expose our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**4. Storms either \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**

**“Running to Win” Hebrews 12:1-3**

As Christ-followers, we are engaged in this Spiritual “race.” Some in the race follow hard after Christ, others lag behind. Some face adversity but continually bounce back. Others face the adversity and seem to become winded and falter. The writer to the Hebrews gave specific instruction on how to run the Christian race, and run to win!

**1. Run unencumbered: strip away all entanglements**

**2. Run purposefully: Follow the course-design for you**

**3. Run \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ v. 2**

**4. Run \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

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If desired, you can heat Cinnamon Rolls in microwave for 20-30 seconds.

Extra icing is available in bowl.

Feel free to take some rolls home with you!