



DAY FOUR

From folly to wisdom

Reading the Bible (Matthew 7:24-27)

Jesus said: “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

Reflection time

- > In our family, which things, memories, customs or traditions are a ‘rock’ for us that keep us firm? Are there any of our traditions or customs that are more like ‘sand’, that weaken our family life?
- > In the video, the man imagines the foundations of his house. If we understand our family as a ‘work in progress’, which things would we like to add to this rock in the future?
- > Are there words of Jesus, or stories from the bible, that are a rock for your life? Why?

A collection of stones

If the lock-down rules in your country allow it, go out to a park where you can find different kinds of rocks (if you can't, you can replace this part by doing a search on internet of different kinds of rocks and drawing them).

Each person chooses one rock that symbolizes for them the 'foundations' you shared about in questions 2 and 3.

Stick a small paper to your rock with one word or sentence that sums up the answers to questions 2 and 3.

Then collect all the rocks with the small papers in a corner of your home as a reminder of what is really important for each one of you and for the family.

If you would like to share your experiences with the Olinda team, or if you would like to talk personally to one of the team, you can write us or send us a short video of your experiences at olindateam@taize.fr

