"Our Firm Foundation"

(1) Getting Started	(3) Digging Deeper
 Leader: Take prayer requests and spend time as a group in prayer, either at the beginning or end of the meeting. Plans For the Rest of the Semester The Third Trimester ends before Memorial Day. Discuss what you want to do as a group before then (share a meal, do something fun) and what your plans are over the summer (Hot Summer Cool Down; social gatherings, etc.) 	Read • James 3:6-12 Discuss • James uses many metaphors in this section. • What is his point and how does it relate to our passage? Read • 1 Corinthians 3:10-15 Discuss • Paul uses a building metaphor in this passage. • What is his point and how does it relate to our passage in Luke?
(2) Read Scripture	(4) Application
 Read Luke 6:43-49 Matthew 7:15-20 Discuss After hearing the last two sermons, how would you describe the difference between judging and judgmentalism? What are Christians supposed to judge (or evaluate), according to these passages? Why is this so important for us to do? (see Luke 6:40) 	 Application How critical are you in judging the media you consume and the people you follow against the teachings of Jesus? Is there someone you follow that is influencing you more than Jesus? If so, what needs to change so that Jesus can have the most influence in your life? Small Groups should be the place where we can hold each other accountable to live out our Christian walk faithfully. Do you feel as though we have permission to speak into each other's live in this group? Why or why not? Is that something we are willing to be open to in the future?