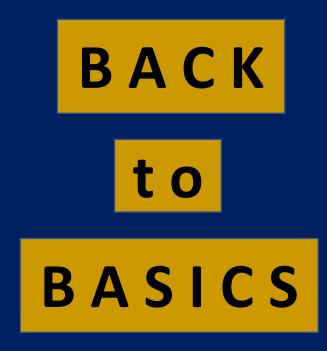
1 Peter 2:1-10

"Living Stones in God's Spiritual House"





You belong to Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone of God's Spiritual House

He is the Living Stone that gives life!

The Kaaba building and the Black Stone in Mecca's Great Mosque

Psalm 25:20 ESV

Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!

Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

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Isaiah 28:16 ESV

therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.'

Isaiah 8:14 ESV

And he will become a sanctuary and a stone of offense and a rock of stumbling to both houses of Israel, a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

Psalm 118:21-22 ESV

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

 God's people- living stones- are being built into God's spiritual house-where the Spirit of God dwells.

Ephesians 2:19–22 ESV

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

The priesthood of all believers-

Every Christian has a relationship to Jesus Christ and can minister to others based on the authority of Christ's finished work.

 We are commanded to offer spiritual sacrifices to God through Jesus Christ.

 God has called people to be His own, for the purpose of declaring His greatness, his forgiveness, love, salvation, healing, and glory, displayed for all eternity.

Exodus 19:5–6 ESV

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

Revelation 1:5b–6 ESV

to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:9–10 ESV

And they sang a new song, saying

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."