PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

October 6, 2024

We invite everyone to join Welcome! **Prayer List** us Wednesday night at 7pm Sympathy to the Carl Moore as we continue our study family in his passing from Galatians Mamie Hamilton is recovering at home from a fall **Serving Today** James Gupton is on a long road to recovery from his tractor Song Leader: accident. Steve Buchanan a continua Hunter Crouch is in need of SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am) another kidney transplant Scripture Reading: John Hayes is doing ok at home Sam Baker Proverbs 15:15 Darinda Paul's cancer Praver: treatment is going well Johnny Walker Brian West had surgery "So whatever you wish that WORSHIP (10:30 am) recently others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law Linda Demonbreun is Scripture Reading: and the Prophets." struggling with back pain Mike Reed 1 Peter 2:1-5 Continue to pray for: Leigh Join us at 6pm for Smith, Eileen Branch, the Tristin Franklin family, Robert Wait On Table: another lesson from Williams, the Billy Moore Jearmie Gupton our "Why should I family, Ronnie Mayo, Rebecca Believe?" series Brown, Donnie Garrett, Keith Serve: Walker and family, Forshia **Dwight Pennington** Pennington, Carol Saling, Doug Demonbreun **Minister:** Timothy Agee Camille Brosky, those in timothy@teamagee.com Ukraine, and Bill Gillock Prayer: 615-330-8652 Jeff Baker

Service Times

Sunday Bible Study Sunday AM Worship Sunday PM Worship Wednesday Bible Study

9:30 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm

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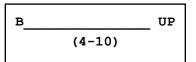
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Faithful amid the Fire (Revisited) 1 Peter 2:1-10

G UP (1-3)

Growth requires... Removal (1) malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, slander -Mark 7:21-22 -Rom 1:29-31; 13:12-14 -1 Cor 5:10 -Gal 3:27; 5:19-20 -Eph 4:22-31 -Col 3:8-10 -Heb 12:1-2 -Jam 1:21



Christ

Living stone (4) Rejected by Men Chosen and precious to God (4,6) Cornerstone (6,7) A stone of stumbling (8) **Generation**

Followers of Christ

Living stones (5) Spiritual house (5) Holy/Royal priesthood (5,9) Chosen race (9) Holy nation (9) An owned people (9) God's people (10) Receivers of mercy (10) -Some of these are phrases previously applied to the

nation of Israel (e.g. Ex 19:5-6; Dt 4:20; 7:6; 14:2; Isa 43:20-21)

-Christians are the true Israel today

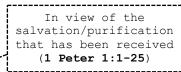
*Rom 2:28-29; 9:6 *Gal 3:7-9, 29

Why is God building us into a "Spiritual House"?

(5) "to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ"

-Rom 12:1

(9) "that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light"



¹Soput away all **malice** and all **deceit** and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.

²Like newborn infants, <u>long for</u> the *pure spiritual milk*, that by it you may <u>grow up</u> into salvation—

Once a person has come to taste the goodness of the Lord, they should have a continuing appetite for spiritual food... **3if indeed you have <u>tasted that the Lord is good</u>.**

Ps 34:8; Heb 6:5

⁴As you come to him, a *living stone rejected* by men but in the sight of God <u>chosen and precious</u>,

⁵you yourselves like <u>living stones</u> are being <u>built up</u> as a *spiritual house*, to be a *holy priesthood*, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

⁶For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a <u>cornerstone</u> chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." <- Isa 28:16; Rom 9:33; 10:11

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders *rejected* has become the **cornerstone**," <- *Ps* 118:22

⁸and "A stone of *stumbling*, and a rock of *offense*." They stumble because they *disobey* the word, as they were destined to do. *<- Isa 8:14; Rom 9:33*

⁹But you are a **chosen race**, a **royal priesthood**, a **holy nation**, a people for his **own possession**, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are **God's people**; once you had not received mercy, but now you have **received mercy**.

When presented with the "living stone" / "cornerstone" we have two options (1Co 1:18-25)

(1) Believe and be built upon Him(2) Stumble, reject, disobey

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Growth requires... Receiving (2) "pure spiritual milk" (i.e. the Word of Christ)

> -1Pet 1:3,23 -Jn 3:3-5 -1Jn 5:1 -2Ti 3:14-17 After conversion, a Christian's life should be marked by continual spiritual growth -1 Cor 3:1-4 -Eph 4:11-16 -Heb 5:11-14

"Spiritual House" *Consider this in view of Peter's confession and Jesus' promise in Caesarea Philippi -Mt 16:13-20

*He told Peter that His church would be built upon the "rock" of Peter's confession that Jesus is the Christ

*This same idea is reflected here in Peter's exhortation

ἐκκλησία ekklēsia

Translated > "church" Lit. "called out of..." -Rom 1:1-7 -1Co 1:1-3 -2Th 2:13-14

*We are the church individually and collectively and are being built upon the foundation / "cornerstone" of Christ -Acts 4:11 -1Co 3:11 -Eph 2:19-20

*We have replaced the physical tabernacle / temple as the dwelling place of God -Acts 2:38 -Rom 8:9-11 -1Co 6:12-20

*We must allow God to continually build us up into His Holy Temple

← Why?