



As You Come to Him, the Living Stone!

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Text: 1 Peter 2:4-10

Passage Summary: As we seek to become the church God is calling us to be in the last days, one thing is certain; we are familiar with the Rolling Stones, the Rosetta Stone, and Oliver Stone, but above all, we need to be rightly _____ to the _____ Stone!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that the transformative power of God to build His church comprised of living _____ is directly related to our relationship with Jesus Christ, the Living _____! (2:4-10)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to our relationship with Jesus Christ as the Living Stone, it involves a...

- relentless _____ to _____ to Him!

See that those who come to Jesus...

Acknowledge Him as the Divinely _____ Messiah!

"A voice came from the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.'"

Luke 9:35

Embrace their _____ role as those who serve the Messiah!

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrews 13:15-16

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

1 Peter 2:9

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship."

Romans 12:1

"For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again."

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Understand their ministry is acceptable to God because it is offered _____ the Messiah!

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'"

Matthew 7:21-23

Remember: When you come to Him, the Living Stone, we come on the _____ God has established or we don't _____ at all, for as Jesus Himself would make clear, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

"Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it.'"

Genesis 4:6-7

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine in these last days that you will value _____ over _____ self-centeredness, for the former leads to eternal life, the latter to eternal death; or in the words of Jesus, the Living Stone, "He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed." (Matthew 21:44)