

## I Peter 2:4-10

EMC Wednesday Night Bible Study - 5-23-18

### The Life of the Spiritual Temple - 2:4-10

V. 1 - Christ as "the Living Stone"

- Peter (Cephas) points us not to himself, but to the Rock of our salvation
- V. 6 - from Isa. 28 - Christ = the precious cornerstone.
- "Living" stone - not just a living person, but alive from the dead as the risen Lord
  - God set his cornerstone in place by the \_\_\_\_\_

V. 7 (cf. Psalm 118:22) - concerning those not connected to the cornerstone

- Jesus in Matthew 21:33-44
- Peter in Acts 4
  - V. 11 - quotes Psalm 118:22
  - V. 12 - "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."
- The fates of those connected and unconnected to the cornerstone has been set

V. 4 - not just rejected by the "builders," but "by men"

- Cf. Acts 4:27
- God's judgement falls on all those in \_\_\_\_\_ to his Son
  - Vv. 7-8 - "precious" vs. a "stone of stumbling and a rock of offense"

V. 4 - God's precious cornerstone was "chosen" by God

- His choice rebukes \_\_\_\_\_ (Isa. 53:2-3; I Cor. 1:18-25)
- Father has chosen his Son and takes delight in him (Mk. 1:11; Isa. 42:1; Isa. 53:10-22; John 10:17)
- V. 5 - "you also, as living stones" - \_\_\_\_\_ are considered precious
  - God's architecture is \_\_\_\_\_
  - Growing by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
    - Cf. Eph. 2:21
    - Temple = OT figure to convey NT reality
      - Tabernacle/temple pictured the presence of God
      - Incarnation = the Word Σκηνώω (skay-no'-o) among us
      - Christ's body = true Temple.
- Temple AND "spiritual house" (v. 5) = \_\_\_\_\_
  - God chooses to take delight in those united to his Son

## The Ministry of a Priestly People

V. 5 - After defining who we \_\_\_\_\_, Peter tells us what we \_\_\_\_\_

- Borrows concepts/language from the OT (Ex. 19:6)
- The new covenant temple is a \_\_\_\_\_ temple.
  - B.C. - Gentiles prohibited
  - A.D. - Gentiles = citizens (Eph. 2:18-22)
  - Our approach to God = a spiritual approach of faith in Christ.
  - Our holiness = inward by his Spirit.

V. 9, 10 - a “people”

- Church is not a religious association formed by saved individuals to give united expression to their faith. It is a new people, more so than Israel was under the old covenant.
  - Relatives by the blood of Jesus.
- A people who \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 5, 9)
  - With our \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 13:15-16)
  - With our \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:1-2)
  - Worship God for what he has \_\_\_\_\_ (Isa. 43:21; Psa. 73:28; et al.)
  - Worship God for who he \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 6:9; Rev. 4:8)
  - Our praises bear witness to the \_\_\_\_\_ (Psa. 96:3)