

“The Cornerstone Of Offense”

1 Peter 2:6-8

July 14, 2023

VIDEO: *“Royal Priests of Eden”*

INTRO:

- ~ See **last week’s summary** & **this week’s springboard...**
- ~ **God’s eternal Plan, Promises, People, Purpose & Power**

CONTEXT:

- ~ Today we’re going to connect a lot of biblical dots...

Ch.1 = BLESSINGS! Living Hope & Loving Holiness!

Ch.2 = BEing & BUILDING to Biblical Code!

1So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. **2**Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— **3**if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

(Truth... Taste... Test...)

4As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, **5**you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood,

(Coming...Living Stones...Building Oikos...Holy Priests)

CONNECTING: 7 gifts of "truth in love"

- > Sermon Series & Steve Stairs' service...
- > Genesis (above) & Revelation (last week)
- > O.T. prophets & N.T. apostles
- > Christ & Christianity/Church
- > Christ & Consequences
- > Heaven's **PRIESTS** & Hell's **POISON**
- > God's truths & Satan's traps

1. Sermon Series & Steve Stairs' service...

VIDEO: *"Isaiah Book Summary"*

Isaiah 40:1

1Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

VIDEO: *"Comfort, Comfort My People"*

Isaiah 40:28-31

*Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.*

29He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.

30Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;

31but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their
strength;

they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

they shall run and not be weary;

they shall walk and not faint.

VIDEO: *“Jesus The Royal Priest”*

BIG IDEA: Christ, the Cornerstone of offense, is the point of our Priesthood!

4As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, **5**you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

VIDEO: *“The Royal Priesthood”*

2. O.T. prophets & N.T. apostles

3. Christ & Christianity/Church

6For it stands in Scripture:

*“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”*

4. Christ & Consequences

5. Heaven’s **PRIESTS** & Hell’s **POISON**

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,”*

6. Genesis (above) & Revelation (last week)

VIDEO: *“The Sovereign Savior”*

8and

*“A stone of **stumbling**,
and a rock of **offense**.” (the snare stick/trigger)*

7. God’s truths & Satan’s traps

VIDEO: *“The Gospel” (Voddie B.)*

CLOSE:

*They **stumble because they disobey** the word, as they were destined to do.*

PRAYER

WORSHIP: *“First Things First” – “I Believe” – “I Choose The Jesus Way”*