



1 Peter

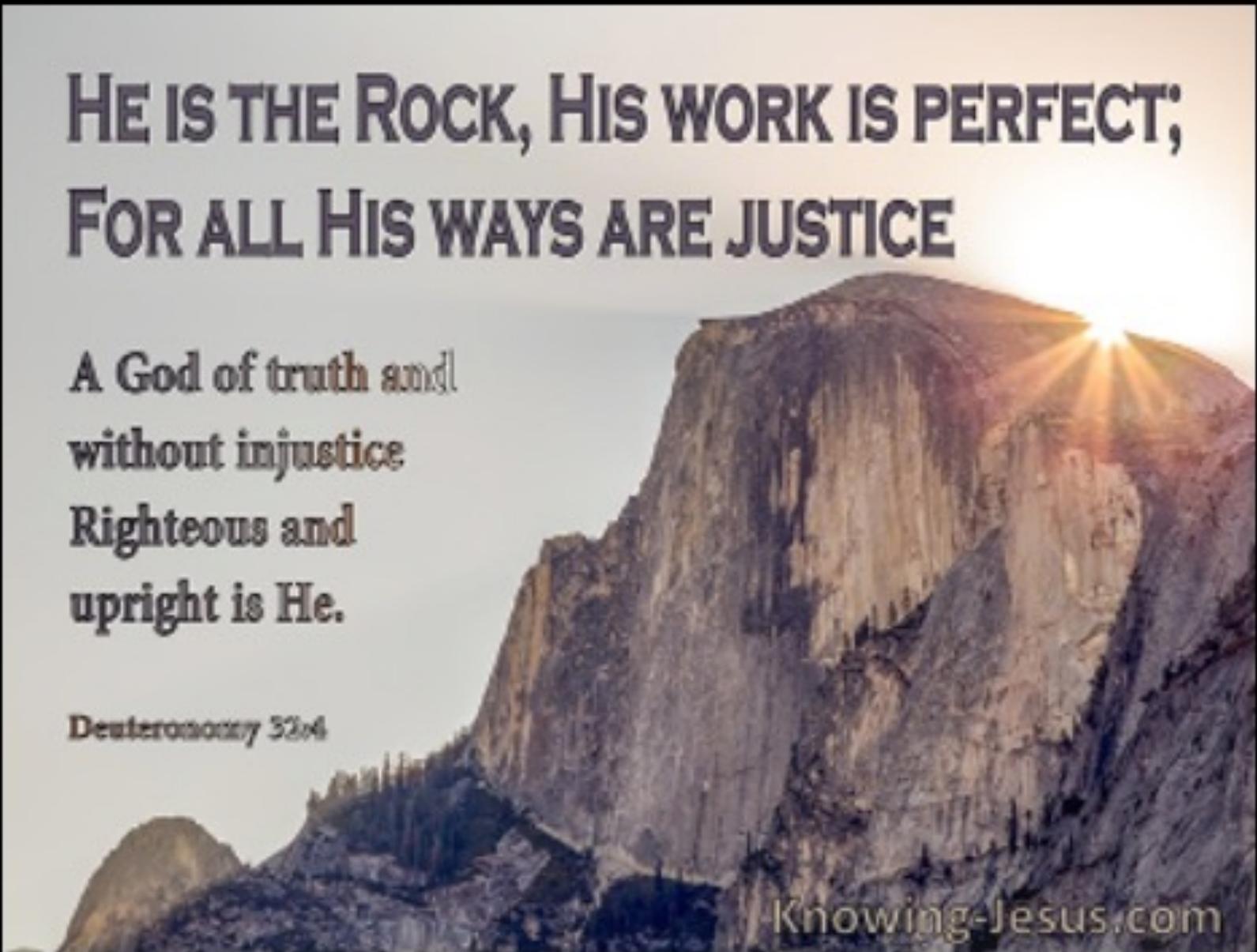












**HE IS THE ROCK, HIS WORK IS PERFECT;
FOR ALL HIS WAYS ARE JUSTICE**

A God of truth and
without injustice
Righteous and
upright is He.

Deuteronomy 32:4

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Isaiah 8

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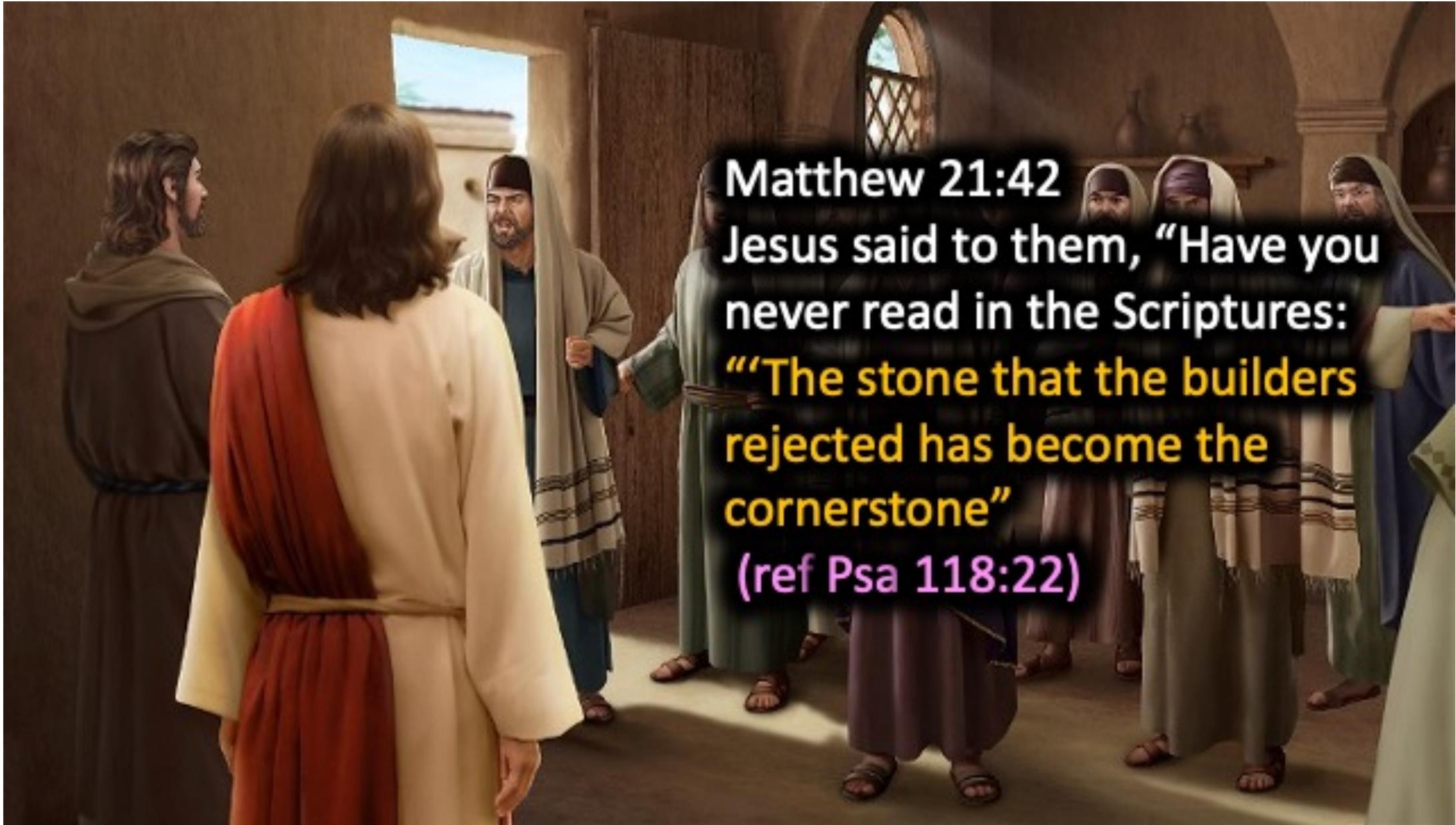
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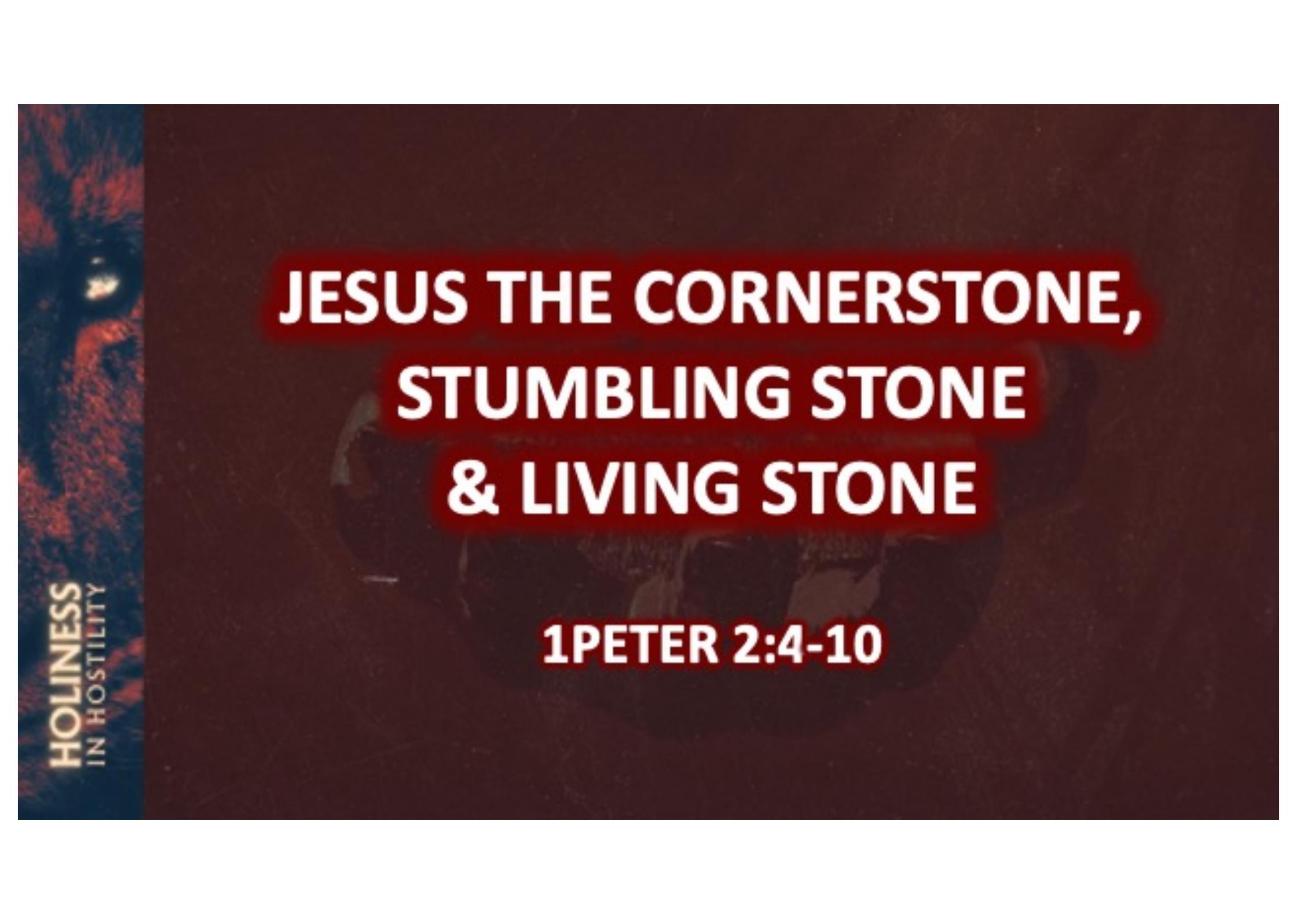
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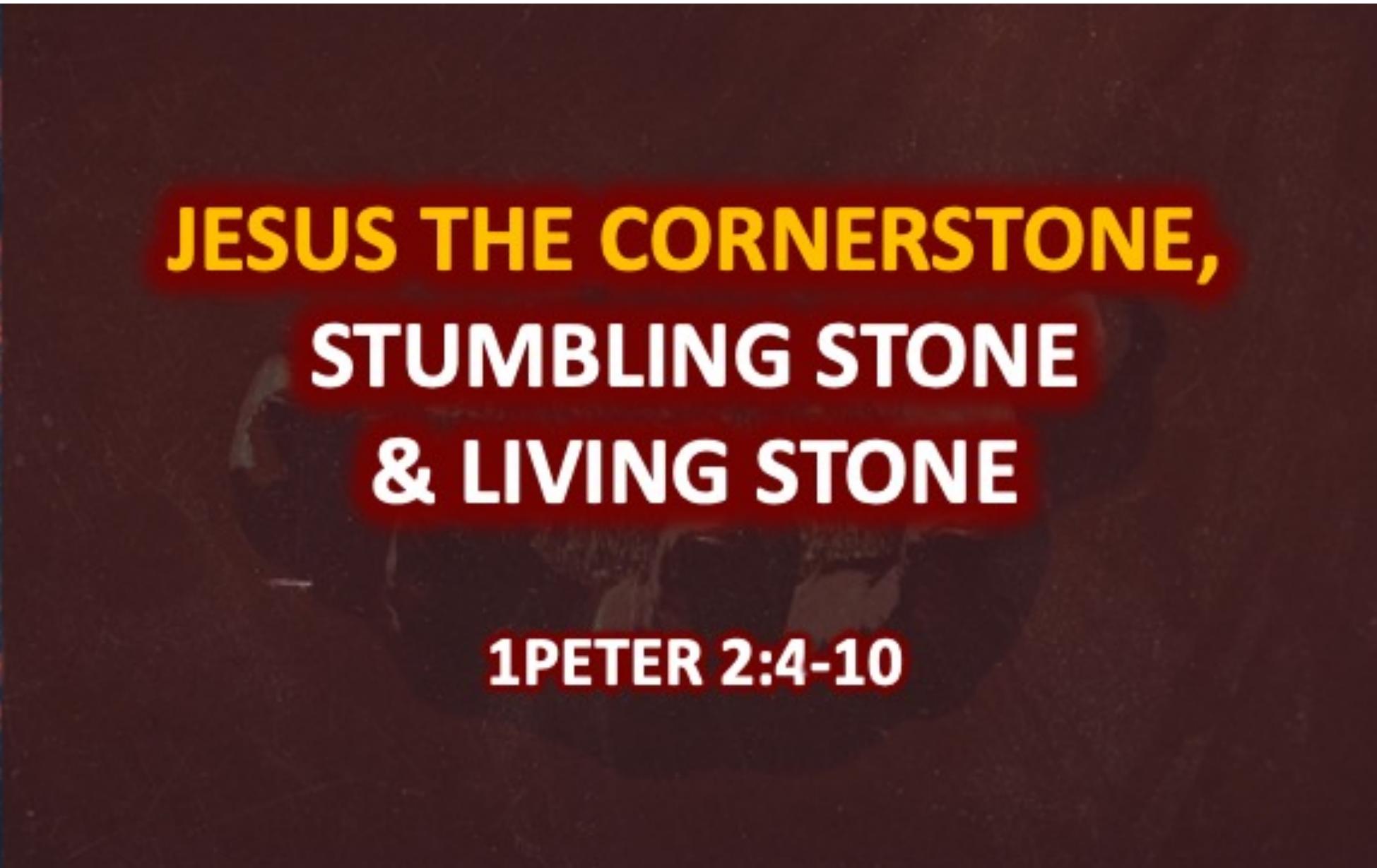


Matthew 21:42
Jesus said to them, "Have you
never read in the Scriptures:
"The stone that the builders
rejected has become the
cornerstone"
(ref Psa 118:22)



**JESUS THE CORNERSTONE,
STUMBLING STONE
& LIVING STONE**

1PETER 2:4-10



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A photograph of a stone wall. The wall is composed of several rectangular stones with a rough, textured surface. In the center of the wall, there is a larger, smoother stone. This stone is inscribed with text and a cross. The text is in all caps and reads: "THE STONE THE BUILDERS REJECTED HAS BECOME THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE. PSALM 118:22". To the right of the text, there is a simple white cross symbol. The wall is set against a dark background, and the ground in front of it appears to be grass or dirt.

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PSALM 118:22



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They stumble because they **disobey the word** v8

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**Man's
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John 1:12

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he gave the right to become children of God

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John 1:13

who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor
of the will of man, but **of God**.

John 3:8

The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.

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John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 6:44
No one can come to me
unless the Father who sent me draws him.

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John 6:47

Truly, truly, I say to you,
whoever believes has eternal life.

Matthew 11:20

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I thank you, **Father**, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have **hidden these things**

Matthew 11:28

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Acts 13:48

And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed.

WHY WON'T THEY BELIEVE?

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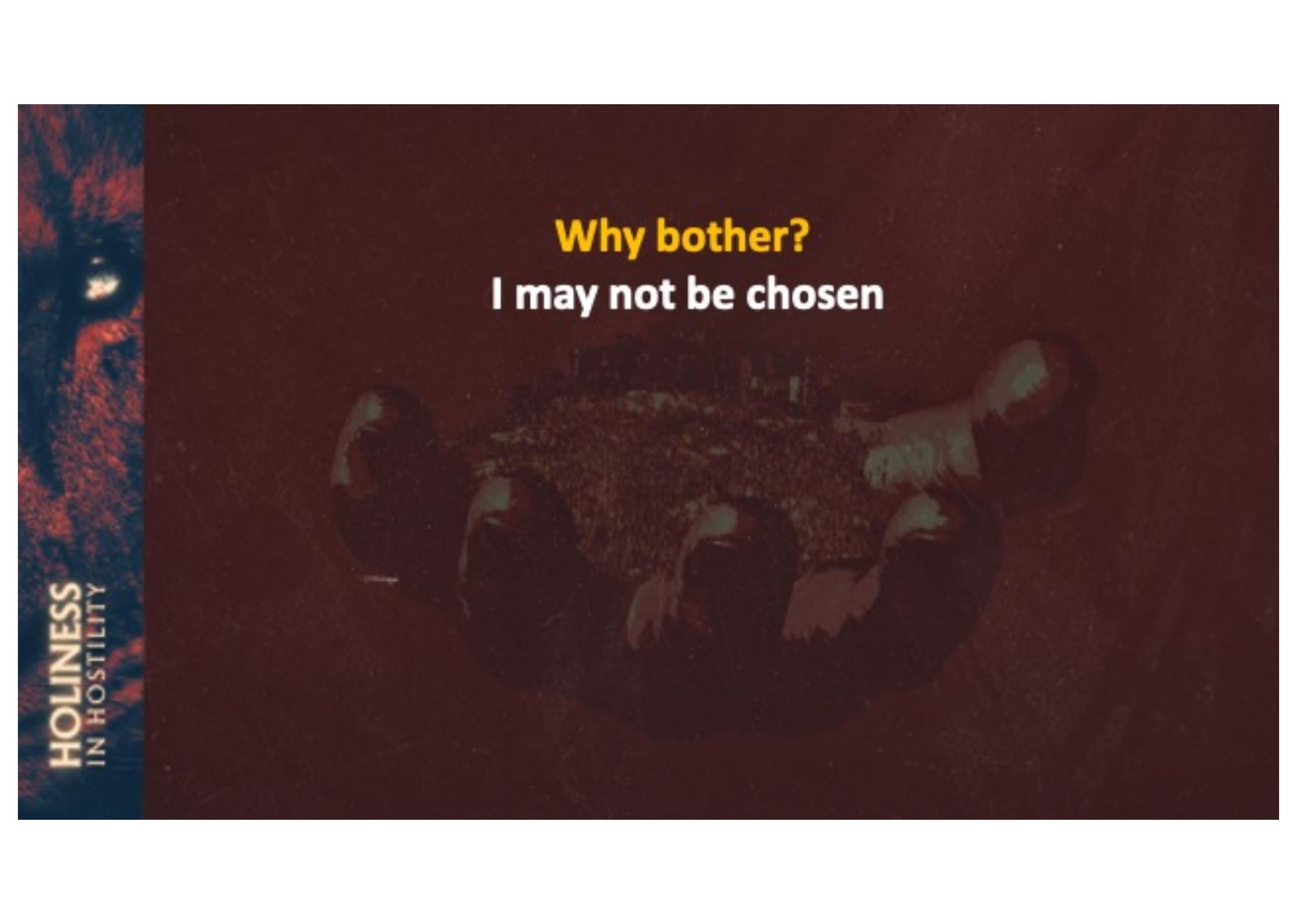
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Why bother?





Why bother?
I may not be chosen

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I may not be chosen

Or if I am chosen, He'll save me anyway

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This is just academic

1. Repent & believe!



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keep coming

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1 Peter 2:5

you yourselves like living stones are being built up
as a **spiritual house**, to be a holy priesthood, to offer
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1 Peter 2:6

For it stands in Scripture:
“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
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and whoever believes in him **will not be put to shame.**”



Li Wenliang: the virus whistleblower

Chinese ophthalmologist
Age: 34



December 30, 2019

Sent warning to colleagues in Wuhan to wear protective masks and clothing, after seeing patients with SARS-like symptoms

January 3, 2020

Said in Weibo* post he was summoned along with eight others by police for "rumour-mongering"

Late-January

Claimed local police forced him to sign statement agreeing **not to commit** any more "law-breaking actions"





Mourning Dr. Li Wenliang



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In loving memory of
Dr. Li Wenliang
Our deepest sympathy to his family and all who loved him.
White Flowers



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(From Isaiah 28:16)

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Matthew 21:44

And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

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Isaiah 43:20

to give drink to my **chosen people**

[9] But you are a **chosen** race, a royal priesthood,
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Deuteronomy 7:6
your God has **chosen** you to be a people...

[9] But you are a **chosen** race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a people for his own possession,

Deuteronomy 7:7

It was not because you were more in number than any
other people that the LORD set his love on you and **chose**
you, for **you were the fewest** of all peoples

[9] But you are a **chosen** race, a royal priesthood,
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1 Peter 1:3

... According to his **great mercy**,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope...

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vs destined (to stumble)

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(not replace Israel- Rom 11- infolding of people of Israel)

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NEW PRIESTHOOD

Spiritual temple

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Physical temple
Animal sacrifices

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OLD PRIESTHOOD

Physical temple
Animal sacrifices
Priests from 1 tribe Levi

NEW PRIESTHOOD

Spiritual temple
Spiritual sacrifices
Every believer a priest

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(as Jesus is a royal priest, after the order of Melchizedek)

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Isaiah 43:21

the people whom I formed for myself
that they might **declare my praise**.

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[5] a **holy priesthood**, to offer spiritual sacrifices
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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Looking back-

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Looking back-
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Looking back-
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Looking back-
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Be helpful (in love)

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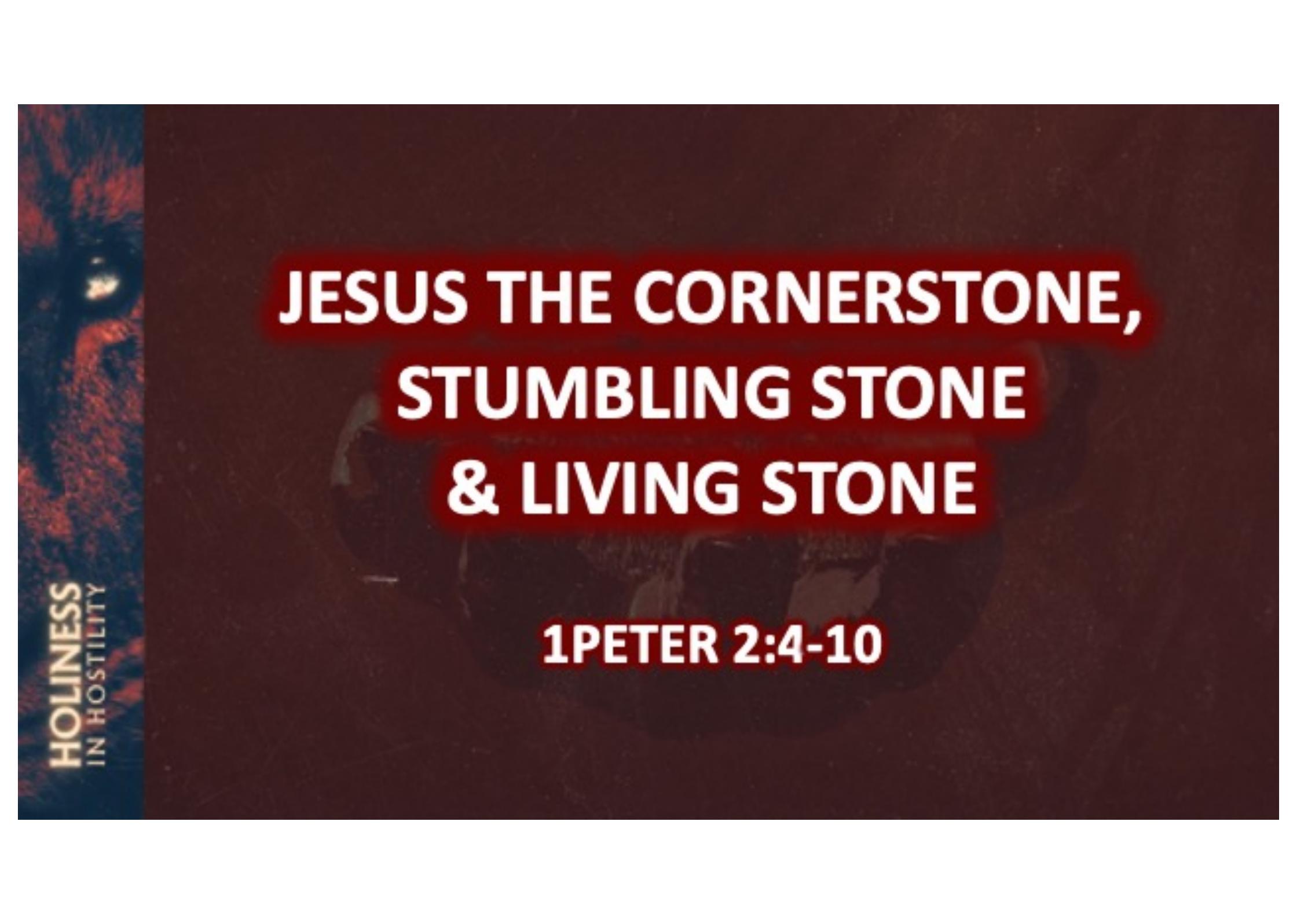
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Steward your gifts to serve one another in love

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that **you may proclaim the excellencies of him**
who called you **out of darkness into his marvelous light**.

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



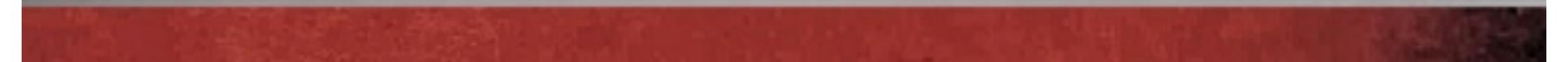
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A close-up, dark photograph of a lion's face, focusing on its eyes and whiskers. The lighting is very low, making the lion's features appear almost entirely black, with only the highlights on its eyes and whiskers providing a sense of form and texture. The background is a solid, deep black.

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