



Five Key Words for Every Believer

Building

Key Word #2 - 1 Peter 2:4-8

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Review

Key Word #1 - GROWTH

1. We must depend on Christ.
2. We must deal with sin.
3. We must desire the Word.
4. We must delight in the Lord.

Just as a baby has an appetite for the mother's milk,
so the child of God has an appetite for the Father's Word.

STUDY SECTION

Key Word #1 - Building

1. It's Foundation is _____.

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 2:4, NASB95 -⁴ *And coming to Him [lit, as we draw near to Jesus, cf., v. 3] as to a living stone [lit, life-giving—it had cultural significance as the "stone that gave life" to the structure (Kittel's TDNT)] which has been rejected by men, but is choice [From the Gk: *eklektos*, meaning set apart] and precious [lit., of highest value] in the sight of God...*

1 Peter 2:4, TLB -⁴ *Come to Christ, who is the living Foundation of Rock upon which God builds; though men have spurned him, he is very precious to God who has chosen him above all others.*

2. It's Superstructure are the _____.

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 2:5, NASB95 -⁵ *you also, as living stones [this Gk. word denotes a rock, hewn in a specific shape for a specific purpose], are being built up as a spiritual house [When Solomon consecrated the first temple, he asked God to dwell *with* His people, Israel. God now dwells *within* His people, the Church.] for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

1 Peter 2:5, NLT -⁵ *And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God.*

3. It's Sacrifices are Pleasing to _____.

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 2:5, NASB95 -⁵ *you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 2:6-8, NASB95 -⁶ *For this is contained in Scripture: "BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOICE STONE, A PRECIOUS CORNER stone, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE [a double negative in Gk., lit., will not ever never be] DISAPPOINTED [lit., become a future disappointment (perf. nominative)]." ⁷ This precious value, then, is for you who believe; but for those who disbelieve, "THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE VERY CORNER stone," ⁸ and, "A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE"; for they [the unbelievers] stumble because they are disobedient to the word, and to this doom they were also appointed [this is not rf., "election" (or 'double predestination') but is simply pointing out what God says will happen to those who reject His word].*

LIFE APPLICATION SECTION

Three Questions for this "Building"

1. **Who is Jesus?** Answer: (1) To God, He is the chosen stone; (2) To the world, He is the stumbling stone; and (3) to believers, He is the foundation stone.
2. **Who are believers?** Answers: We are people who draw near to God (v. 4); We are the spiritual house and a holy priesthood [duty and privilege] (v. 5); We are those who will never be put to shame (v. 6); We are precious to Christ (v. 7).
3. **What if the "new temple" in Revelation 22 is not really a building *per se*?**

Here's The
POINT

**God made you who you are so
you could tell the world who He is.**

ANSWERS TO THE MESSAGE

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1. Christ
2. Believers
3. God