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SERIES: God's Focus

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Text: Isaiah 51:1-16



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Two-Part Message: Two Critical Priorities of God

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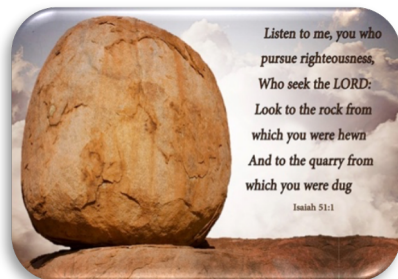
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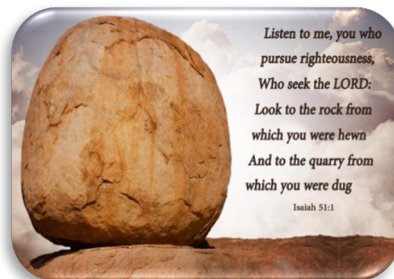
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