

Christ Church | June 23rd, 2024

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1 So 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.

1 Peter 2:1-3

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1 Peter 2:4-5

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

Isaiah 28:16

"I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 118:21-24

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"Do you not know that you are the temple of God and the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

1 Corinthians 3:16

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"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit."

Ephesians 2:19-22

LIVE THE TEXT

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Big Idea: We are the church, we are sitting in a building.

- 1. We must "put away" all malice, all deceit, all hypocrisy, all envy, all slander.
- 2. To do this we must "come to Christ" daily in prayer, reading God's Word, and surrounding ourselves with God's people.
- 3. We must "offer spiritual sacrifices" acceptable to God through Christ, in doing good for others, being honest, living by God's Word, being glad for others, and encouraging our brothers and sisters in Christ.