



WE STAND FIRM

A STUDY OF 1 PETER

Remember Who You Are

1 Peter 2:4-10 | September 6, 2026

Jesus is the Living Stone and the Cornerstone.

A cornerstone is something we align our lives with, so we must ask:

Who is the cornerstone of my life?

When Jesus is our cornerstone, we can live with confidence in who we are and in whose we are.

1 Peter 2:9, "But you are..."

- When you feel overlooked, remember you are chosen.
- When you feel insignificant, remember you are part of a royal priesthood.
- When you feel that you've made too many mistakes, remember you are set apart.
- When you feel unwanted, remember you are God's special possession.
- When you feel alone, remember you are part of the people of God.
- When you feel ashamed, remember you have received mercy.

When the voices around you say one thing, listen for the voice of God saying, "But you are..."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kids Christmas Program Rehearsal Begins: September 13 at 6:00 PM

WCC Moms: September 16 at 6:00 PM

Habitat for Humanity Build: September 20 at 12:00 & 1:30 PM

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STUDY QUESTIONS

GETTING STARTED:

When was the last time someone or something made you question who you are?

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- » Peter denied knowing Jesus before the very men who had Jesus arrested, yet later boldly proclaimed Christ before those same men – what do you think made the difference, and where in your own life do you need that same kind of courage?
- » What cornerstone is actually at the center of your life right now, and how would you know if it had shifted away from Jesus?
- » Peter writes in 1 Peter 2:9 that believers are a chosen people and God's special possession – how does that identity challenge the way you typically measure your own worth or value?
- » The resurrection of Jesus should change how we view our most difficult circumstances – is there a specific struggle in your life right now where the reality of the empty tomb has not yet fully shaped your perspective, and why might that be?
- » You need the church, and the church needs you. In what practical ways are you currently contributing to the community of living stones, and where might you be holding back?
- » Romans 8:38-39 declares that nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God – what fears, doubts, or past experiences make that promise feel difficult to believe, and how might you begin to trust it more fully?
- » What does it look like in everyday life to genuinely build on Jesus rather than simply claiming to?
- » Peter addresses people who are suffering and scattered, yet reminds them of their unified identity as God's people – how does belonging to the people of God change the way you face loneliness, uncertainty, or hardship?

NEXT STEPS:

This week, choose one of the following to put into practice:

- 1. Identify your cornerstone.** Take an honest look at your schedule, your spending, and your anxieties. What do they reveal about what you are actually building your life around? Spend time in prayer asking God to reveal any misaligned cornerstones and to help you reorient around Jesus.
- 2. Reconnect with the church.** If you have been on the edges of community, take one concrete step this week toward deeper connection. That might mean joining a small group, serving on a team, or simply showing up consistently for the next month.
- 3. Write it down.** Write out the "But you are" statement that your heart needs most right now. Put it somewhere you will see it every day this week. When the voices of failure, shame, or fear speak up, read it out loud.