The Lord is My Rock Tyler Moore July 30, 2023

Psalm 18

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I love you, O Lord, my strength.

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The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. **3** I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,

and I am saved from my enemies.

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For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God?— 32

the God who equipped me with strength and made my way blameless.

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The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation—

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the God who gave me vengeance and subdued peoples under me,

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who rescued me from my enemies; yes, you exalted me above those who rose against me; you delivered me from the man of violence.

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For this I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations, and sing to your name.

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Great salvation he brings to his king, and shows steadfast love to his anointed, to David and his offspring forever.

1 Cor. 10:1-4

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers,[a] that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, **2** and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, **3** and all ate the same spiritual food, **4** and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.

If The Lord is My Rock, then I will not be shaken. If The Lord is My Rock, then I am a little stone. If The Lord is My Rock, then nothing else is.

Psalm 118:22

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Matthew 21:42

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?

Acts 4:8-11

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, 9 if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a cripple, by what means this man has been healed, 10 be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, **whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead,** by him this man is standing before you well. 11 <u>This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the cornerstone (head of the corner)</u> 12 And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Eccl. 3:11 "He makes everything beautiful in its time."

1 Peter 2:4-5

4 As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, **5** you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

The fragments alone aren't purposeful or beautiful in their own right...but when placed together around the cornerstone the "little rocks" have purpose.

The Rock is living and breathing.

Many of us suffer from trying to be a spiritual handyman– we want to see what we can fix and manufacture on our own under our own strength and understanding.

Matthew 7:24-27

24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

Paper Scatters, Sticks Shatter, but the Rock Won't Move.

If the rock won't move, then it won't compromise.

The foundation stays the same when you wish it would crumble.

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