# Living Stones and Sheep

**Monday 11/9**

**1 Pet. 2:4-5**
**4** Coming to Him, a living stone, rejected by men but with God chosen and precious,
**5** You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

**Gen. 2:7**
**7** Jehovah God formed man with the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul.

**Isa. 64:8**
**8** But now, Jehovah, You are our Father; We are the clay; and You, our Potter; And all of us are the work of Your hand.

**2 Cor. 3:18**
**18** But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

**Eph. 2:20, 21-22**
**20** Being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone;
**21** In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord;
**22** In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

**Rev. 21:19, 22**
**19** The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every precious stone: the first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald;

**22** And I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 1*

**Tuesday 11/10**

**Zech. 4:7**
**7** Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become a plain, and he will bring forth the topstone with shouts of Grace, grace to it.

**Zech. 3:9**
**9** For here is the stone that I have set before Joshua-upon one stone are seven eyes. I will engrave its engraving, declares Jehovah of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

**Isa. 28:16**
**16** Therefore thus says The Lord Jehovah: Indeed I lay a stone in Zion as a foundation, A tested stone, A precious cornerstone as a foundation firmly established; He who believes will not hasten away.

**Acts 4:11-12**
**11** This is the stone which was considered as nothing by you, the builders, which has become the head of the corner.
**12** And there is salvation in no other, for neither is there another name under heaven given among men in which we must be saved.

**1 Cor. 3:11**
**11** For another foundation no one is able to lay besides that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

**Zech 4:10**
**10** For who has despised the day of small things? For these seven rejoice when they see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel; they are the eyes of Jehovah running to and fro on the whole earth.

**Rev. 4:5**
**5** And out of the throne come forth lightnings and voices and thunders. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God;

**Rev. 5:6**
**6** And I saw in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures and in the midst of the elders a Lamb standing as having just been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 2*

**Wednesday 11/11**

**Dan. 2:34-35**
**34** You were watching until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the image at its feet of iron and clay and crushed them.
**35** Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed all at once, and they became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

**Acts 2:23-24**
**23** This man, delivered up by the determined counsel and foreknowledge of God, you, through the hand of lawless men, nailed to a cross and killed;
**24** Whom God has raised up, having loosed the pangs of death, since it was not possible for Him to be held by it.

**Matt. 21:42, 44**
**42** Jesus said to them, Have you never read in the Scriptures, "The stone which the builders rejected, this has become the head of the corner. This was from the Lord, and it is marvelous in our eyes"?

**44** And he who falls on this stone shall be broken to pieces; but on whomever it falls, it shall crush him to powder and scatter him like chaff.

**Eph. 6:17**
**17** And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God,

**Rev. 2:16**
**16** Repent therefore; but if not, I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war with them with the sword of My mouth.

**Rev. 19:11, 15**
**11** And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sits on it called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

**15** And out of His mouth proceeds a sharp sword, that with it He might smite the nations; and He will shepherd them with an iron rod; and He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 3*

**Thursday 11/12**

**Ezek. 34:11-13**
**11** For thus says the Lord Jehovah, I Myself, even I, will search for My sheep and seek them out.
**12** As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day when he is among his sheep which are scattered, so I will seek out My sheep; and I will deliver them from all the places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.
**13** And I will bring them out from the peoples and

gather them from the countries and bring them into their own land, and I will feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the streams and in all the inhabited places of the land.

**Psa. 23:1**
**1** Jehovah is my Shepherd; I will lack nothing.

**John 10:11, 14-16**
**11** I am the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

**14** I am the good Shepherd, and I know My own, and My own know Me,
**15** Even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.
**16** And I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must lead them also, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one flock, one Shepherd.

**Rev. 7:17**
**17** For the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and guide them to springs of waters of life; and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 4*

**Friday 11/13**

**Ezek. 34:13-14**
**13** ***See Thursday***
**14** I will feed them with good pasture, and their dwelling place will be upon the mountains of the heights of Israel; there they will lie down in a good dwelling place, and on rich pasture they will feed upon the mountains of Israel.

**Matt. 11:28-30**
**28** Come to Me all who toil and are burdened, and I will give you rest.
**29** Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
**30** For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

**Psa. 23:2**
**2** He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside waters of rest.

**Col. 3:15**
**15** And let the peace of Christ arbitrate in your hearts, to which also you were called in one Body; and be thankful.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 5*

**Saturday 11/14**

**Ezek. 34:25-26**
**25** And I will make with them a covenant of peace and banish evil beasts from the land, so that they will dwell securely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods.
**26** And I will make them and the places around My hill a blessing, and I will cause the showers to come down in their season; there will be showers of blessing.

**Psa. 133:1-3**
**1** Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brothers to dwell in unity!
**2** It is like the fine oil upon the head That ran down upon the beard, Upon Aaron's beard, That ran down upon the hem of his garments;
**3** Like the dew of Hermon That came down upon the mountains of Zion. For there Jehovah commanded the blessing: Life forever.

**Eph. 4:3-4**
**3** Being diligent to keep the oneness of the Spirit in the uniting bond of peace:
**4** One Body and one Spirit, even as also you were called in one hope of your calling;

**Acts 1:14**
**14** These all continued steadfastly with one accord in prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

**Acts 2:46**
**46** And day by day, continuing steadfastly with one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, they partook of their food with exultation and simplicity of heart,

**Rom. 15:5-6**
**5** Now the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind toward one another according to Christ Jesus,
**6** That with one accord you may with one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**HWMR:** *The Believers (1) - Week 5, Day 6*

**Lord's Day 11/15**

**Ezek. 34:26-27; 29**
**26** ***See Saturday***
**27** And the trees of the field will yield their fruit, and the earth will yield its increase, and they will be secure in their land; then they will know that I am Jehovah, when I break the bars of their yoke and deliver them from the hand of those who enslaved them.

**29** And I will raise up for them a planting place of renown, and they will no longer be consumed with famine in the land and no longer bear the disgrace of the nations.

**Ezek. 37:24-28**
**24** And My Servant David will be King over them, and they all will have one Shepherd. They will also walk in My ordinances and observe My statutes and do them.
**25** And they will dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers dwelt; and they will dwell in it, they, their children, and their children's children, forever. And David My Servant will be their Prince forever.
**26** I will also make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will set them there and multiply them, and I will set My sanctuary in their midst forever,
**27** And My tabernacle will be with them; and I will be their God, and they will be My people.
**28** Then the nations will know that I am Jehovah, who sanctifies Israel, when My sanctuary will be in their midst forever.

**Num. 6:23-27**
**23** Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the children of Israel; you shall say to them,
**24** Jehovah bless you and keep you;
**25** Jehovah make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
**26** Jehovah lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
**27** So shall they put My name upon the children of Israel, that I Myself may bless them.

**2 Cor. 13:14**
**14** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Hymn:** *#1221*

**Further Reading**
*Life-study of Ezekiel, message 16 pp. 180-182*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit**
**Crucial Point:** *The Covenant between Jehovah and His People*
**Scripture:** *Deut. 4:1-9:29; 29:1-30:20*
**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Deuteronomy, msg(s). 27*
**Supplemental Reading:** *CWWL, 1960, Vol. 1, Synopsis of Deuteronomy, msg. 4*
**Study Questions:** *See the church website at churchinnyc.org/bible-study*