

“1st Peter #5”

1st Peter 2:4-12 (Living stones, rejected by men)

Review: 1st Peter 1:17-25... 2:1-3 (NKJV)

V17 begins: *“If you call on the Father who without partiality judges according to each ones work, **conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear.**”*

- Knowing we have been ransomed or redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus!
- Not by corruptible or perishable things... like silver or gold...

- V20... He was **foreordained** before the foundation of the world...
- *He was made manifest (revealed) for our sake...*
- V23... ***“We have been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever.”***
- Because we are like grass and like a flower... we fade, we weaken, we wither. ***“But the word of God endures forever...”***

Isaiah 40:5-8... ***“The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it. The voice said, cry out and he said, what shall I cry? All flesh is grass and all it’s loveliness is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, because the breath of the Lord blows upon it; **surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.”*****

- The word of God transforms us!
- As newborn babes, we are to desire the pure milk of the word... Chapter 2:2

Tonight’s Study:

Text 1st Peter 2:4-5 ESV (Read)

- The fact is, when we come to Jesus, we will be rejected by man, by this world!
- *But we are chosen and precious in Gods sight.*
- V5, we are being built up, to be a holy priesthood. ***“to offer spiritual sacrifices...”***

- What are some spiritual sacrifices we can offer up...?

Romans 12:1 (NASB) *"Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship."*

- Philippians 4:18... 19 (Read) – Giving, is a sweet-smelling sacrifice to God... God supplies all our needs when we give sacrificially.
- ESV Study bible put's it this way... *"Believers are living stones in God's new temple... (i.e. spiritual house) Since the components that make up the house are "living," the house itself is growing: you yourselves... are being built up. Peter sees that the OT temple anticipated the new temple where God dwells. (i.e. in His people) But believers are not only God's temple but are also a holy priesthood which offer up spiritual sacrifices."*

Text 1st Peter 2:6-8 ESV (Read)

- V7, Honor belongs to believers...
- V8, Those that stumble, stumble because they disobey the word... as they were destined to do. Jude V's 3-4 (NKJV) Read...

Text 1st Peter 2: 9-10 ESV (Read)

- We are chosen, royal, and holy... A people for His own possession... (NKJV) His own special people!
- Isa 43:18-21
- V10... (NASB) *"You once were not a People, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."*

Hosea 1:2...6-8 – 2:19-20...23 (Read)

Text 1st Peter 2:11-12 ESV (Read)

- We are in a fight, our passions wage war against our soul!