

# JESUS IS IN THE HOUSE!

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## Three Truths From 1 Peter 2:4-12

### I. Jesus is alive!

**1 Peter 2:4** As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious,

**Philippians 3:20 (NLT)** But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior.

**Revelation 1:17,18** When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

**1 Peter 2:5** 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.

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### II. Jesus is our living cornerstone!

**1 Peter 2:6-8** For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.<sup>7</sup>" So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

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### III. Jesus is in the house!

**Romans 8:11 (NLT)** The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

**1 Peter 2:9** But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

**John 8:12** Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

**1 Peter 2:10** Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**Philippians 1:21** For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

**1 Peter 2:11** Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

**1 Peter 2:12** Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

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#### Discussion questions:

- 1) Do you believe God is living and active in your life? How can you tell?
- 2) What would you consider as your spiritual sacrifices to God?
- 3) Is there evidence in your life of Jesus being your cornerstone?
- 4) Are you lurking in the dark or living in the light? How do you know?
- 5) What would you consider honorable conduct?