

# *Christ the Solid Rock*





# Message Outline

- Jesus promises “On this Rock,” but what is the Rock?
- Scripture overwhelmingly identifies God as the Rock
- Christ is the cornerstone
- We are stones





# On this Rock...

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# God is the Rock

Deu 32:3–4 For I proclaim the name of the LORD: Ascribe greatness to our God.  
(4) He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.





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Deu 32:15–18 "But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked; You grew fat, you grew thick, You are obese! Then he forsook God who made him, And scornfully esteemed the Rock of his salvation. (16) They provoked Him to jealousy with foreign gods; With abominations they provoked Him to anger....





# God is the Rock

Deu 32:15–18 "... (17) They sacrificed to demons, not to God, To gods they did not know, To new gods, new arrivals That your fathers did not fear. (18) Of the Rock who begot you, you are unmindful, And have forgotten the God who fathered you.





# God is the Rock

Deu 32:29–31 Oh, that they were wise, that they understood this, That they would consider their latter end! (30) How could one chase a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight, Unless their Rock had sold them, And the LORD had surrendered them? (31) For their rock is not like our Rock, Even our enemies themselves being judges.





# God is the Rock

1Sa 2:1–2 And Hannah prayed and said:  
"My heart rejoices in the LORD; My horn is  
exalted in the LORD. I smile at my  
enemies, Because I rejoice in Your  
salvation. (2) "No one is holy like the  
LORD, For there is none besides You, Nor  
is there any rock like our God.





# God is the Rock

2Sa 22:32–34 "For who is God, except the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God? (33) God is my strength and power, And He makes my way perfect. (34) He makes my feet like the feet of deer, And sets me on my high places.





# God is the Rock

2Sa 22:47–48 "The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let God be exalted, The Rock of my salvation! (48) It is God who avenges me, And subdues the peoples under me;





# God is the Rock

2Sa 23:2–3 "The Spirit of the LORD spoke by me, And His word was on my tongue. (3) The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spoke to me: 'He who rules over men must be just, Ruling in the fear of God.





# God is the Rock

Psa 18:2–3 The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. (3) I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised; So shall I be saved from my enemies.





# God is the Rock

Psa 18:30–33 As for God, His way is perfect;  
The word of the LORD is proven; He is a  
shield to all who trust in Him. (31) For who  
is God, except the LORD? And who is a rock,  
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# God is the Rock

Psa 18:46–48 The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted. (47) It is God who avenges me, And subdues the peoples under me; (48) He delivers me from my enemies. You also lift me up above those who rise against me; You have delivered me from the violent man.





# God is the Rock

Psa 28:1–2 A Psalm of David. To You I will cry, O LORD my Rock: Do not be silent to me, Lest, if You are silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit. (2) Hear the voice of my supplications When I cry to You, When I lift up my hands toward Your holy sanctuary.





# God is the Rock

Psa 42:8–11 The LORD will command His lovingkindness in the daytime, And in the night His song shall be with me—A prayer to the God of my life. (9) I will say to God my Rock, "Why have You forgotten me? Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?..."





# God is the Rock

Psa 42:8–11 ... (10) As with a breaking of my bones, My enemies reproach me, While they say to me all day long, "Where is your God?" (11) Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; For I shall yet praise Him, The help of my countenance and my God.





# God is the Rock

Psa 62:1–8 To the Chief Musician. To Jeduthun. A Psalm of David. Truly my soul silently waits for God; From Him comes my salvation. (2) He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved...





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Psa 62:1–8 ... (5) My soul, wait silently for God alone, For my expectation is from Him. (6) He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved...





# God is the Rock

Psa 62:1–8 ... (7) In God is my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, And my refuge, is in God. (8) Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah





# God is the Rock

Psa 71:1–3 In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be put to shame. (2) Deliver me in Your righteousness, and cause me to escape; Incline Your ear to me, and save me. (3) Be my strong refuge, To which I may resort continually; You have given the commandment to save me, For You are my rock and my fortress.





# God is the Rock

Psa 78:35 Then they remembered that God was their rock, And the Most High God their Redeemer.

Psa 89:26 He shall cry to Me, 'You are my Father, My God, and the rock of my salvation.'





# God is the Rock

Psa 92:15 To declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

Psa 94:22 But the LORD has been my defense, And my God the rock of my refuge.





# God is the Rock

Psa 95:1–3 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. (2) Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. (3) For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods.





# God is the Rock

Psa 144:1–2 A Psalm of David. Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, And my fingers for battle— (2) My lovingkindness and my fortress, My high tower and my deliverer, My shield and the One in whom I take refuge, Who subdues my people under me.





# God is the Rock

Isa 17:10 Because you have forgotten the  
God of your salvation, And have not been  
mindful of the Rock of your stronghold,  
Therefore you will plant pleasant plants  
And set out foreign seedlings;





# God is the Rock

Isa 44:8 Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared it? You are My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed there is no other Rock; I know not one."





# God is the Rock

1Co 10:4 and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.





# *The Rock of Resurrection*

Psa 31:1–6 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be ashamed; Deliver me in Your righteousness. (2) Bow down Your ear to me, Deliver me speedily; Be my rock of refuge, A fortress of defense to save me...





# The Rock of Resurrection

Psa 31:1–6 ... (3) For You are my rock and my fortress; Therefore, for Your name's sake, Lead me and guide me. (4) Pull me out of the net which they have secretly laid for me, For You are my strength...





# The Rock of Resurrection

Psa 31:1-6 ... (5) Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth. (6) I have hated those who regard useless idols; But I trust in the LORD.





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## Peter's Rock was God's Revelation





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# Christ the Cornerstone

1Pe 2:4–9 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, (5) you also, as **living stones**, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ...





# Christ the Cornerstone

1 Pe 2:4–9 ...(6) Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHIEF CORNERSTONE, ELECT, PRECIOUS, AND HE WHO BELIEVES ON HIM WILL BY NO MEANS BE PUT TO SHAME." (7) Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, "THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED HAS BECOME THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE,..."





# Christ the Cornerstone

1 Pe 2:4–9 ...(8) and "A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed...





# Christ the Cornerstone

1 Pe 2:4–9 ... (9) But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;





# Peter Acknowledged Christ as the Rock

Act 4:8–11 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: (9) If we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well,...





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Act 4:8–11 ...(10) let it be 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 stands here before you whole. (11) This is the 'STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED BY YOU BUILDERS, WHICH HAS BECOME THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE.'





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Act 4:8–11

1 Pe 2

If the Roman Catholic doctrine of Peter was correct, then Peter would have mentioned it here and in 2 Peter 2 where he speaks of the stone constuction of the church





# Christ the Cornerstone

Isa 28:15–19 Because you have said, "We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we are in agreement. When the overflowing scourge passes through, It will not come to us, For we have made lies our refuge, And under falsehood we have hidden ourselves..."





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Isa 28:15–19 ...(16) Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation, A tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation; Whoever believes will not act hastily. (17) Also I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the plummet; The hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters will overflow the hiding place..





# Christ the Cornerstone

Isa 28:15–19 ...(18) Your covenant with death will be annulled, And your agreement with Sheol will not stand; When the overflowing scourge passes through, Then you will be trampled down by it. (19) As often as it goes out it will take you; For morning by morning it will pass over, And by day and by night; It will be a terror just to understand the report."





# Christ the Cornerstone

Mat 21:42-44 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED HAS BECOME THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE. THIS WAS THE LORD'S DOING, AND IT IS MARVELOUS IN OUR EYES'?"...





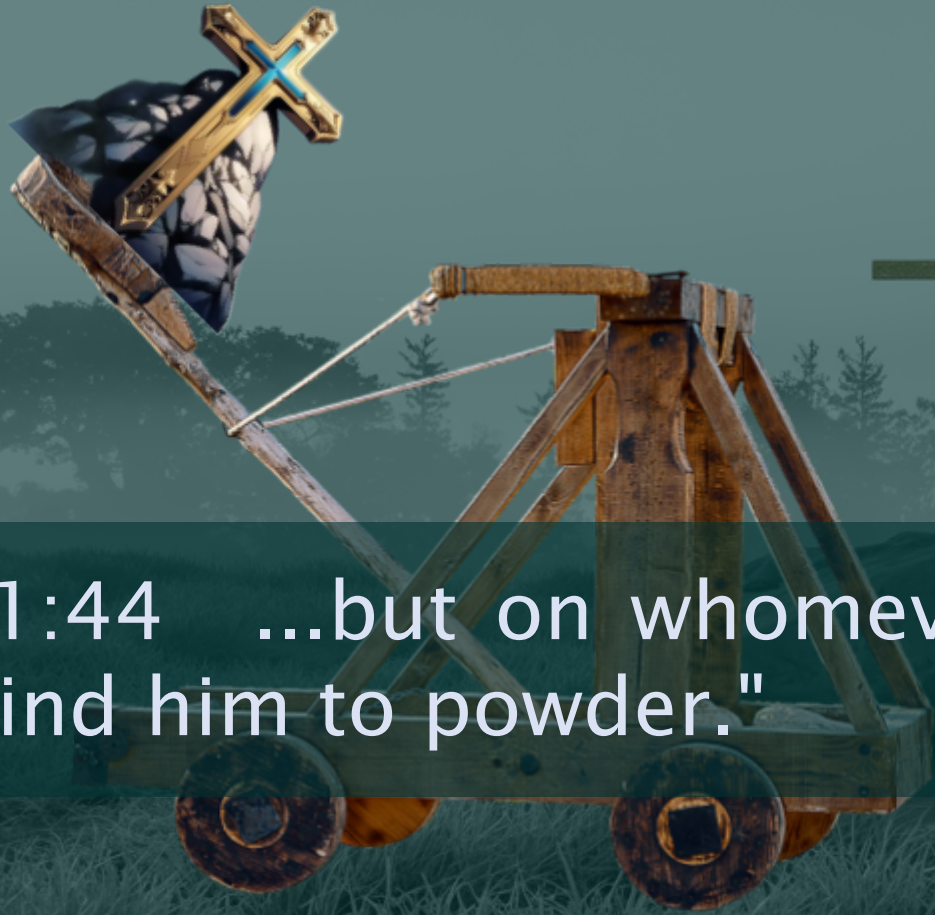
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Mat 21:42-44 ... (44) And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder."





# *The Rock Catapulted to the Enemy Strongholds*



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# *Christ the Solid Rock*

