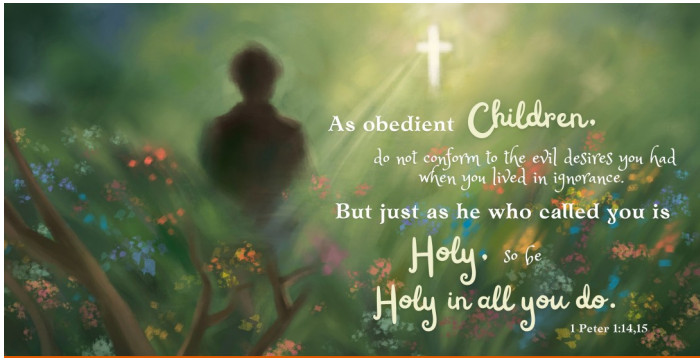




As obedient *Children.*
do not conform to the evil desires you had
when you lived in ignorance.
But just as he who called you is
Holy. so be
Holy in all you do.
1 Peter 1:14,15

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LADIES' PRAYER FELLOWSHIP: Today, 10:15am @ Annexe, L3

Topic: Mary—Blessed Among Women

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Today, 10:30am over Zoom / in Church @ Annexe L203-204

Topic: Ecclesiastes 1:12-18—A Crack in the Window of Wisdom

SENIOR CITIZENS' MINISTRY: Thursday, 6 Nov, 10am @ Annexe, L3

Exercise: 9am before meeting in Church @ 160CR

Topic: Devastation, Repentance and Deliverance
(Joel 1:1-27)

Speaker: Advisory Elder Eric Ang

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED: Saturday, 8 Nov, 4pm to 5:30pm @ Annexe, L4

Boldly invite your family and friends to find out about the new life we have through Jesus Christ. This is the last session of the series.

SUNDAY PRAYER WITH ELDERS

Two elders will be available after the morning service to pray with anyone who seeks personal prayer support. This morning, Elders Loon Sum Loon and Chia Eng Chuan will be present to spend time with you in private prayers.



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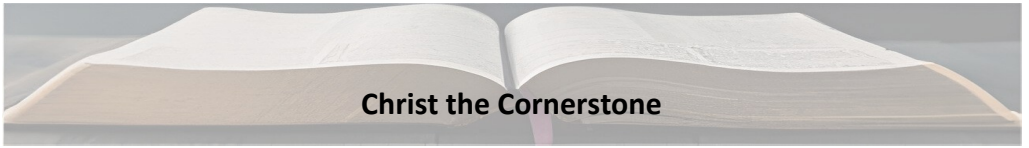
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In ancient building practices, the cornerstone is the first and most important stone set in the construction of a building's foundation. It serves two main purposes: 1) structural stability where it carries most of the building's weight and joins the walls together and 2) positional alignment where it determines the alignment and direction of the whole building. The cornerstone is not just another rock—it is a reference point, the foundation and the unifying piece for the rest of the building.

In the Bible, Jesus has often been described as the cornerstone of the Christian faith. Isaiah 28:16 tells us, *"See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic."* And likewise, Ephesians 2:20 teaches us that the Church is *"built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone."* In our passage, 1 Peter 2:4-10, Peter is consistent in this description of Jesus. He reminds believers that Jesus is the living Cornerstone, chosen by God and essential to our faith. As followers of Christ and as part of the Church, we are like "living stones" that are being built upon him. This means that our lives take direction from our Lord Jesus.

Yet, if we are honest, we often build our lives on other "stones" or idols such as our careers, relationships, achievements, or financial security. These things may seem stable for a time, but they eventually shift or crumble when circumstances change. When they do, feelings of anxiety, restlessness, or insecurity can easily overwhelm us. However, when our foundation is in Jesus Christ, we will experience steadfast peace because he is unshakable. When the storms of life come, his steadfastness holds us steady. When uncertainty clouds our path, his word gives us wisdom, comfort, and peace. He is the solid rock beneath our feet when all else gives way. *"The one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."* (v6)

Building your faith in Jesus means trusting him with every part of your life and submitting your identity, your relationships and your future to him. Take a moment to reflect today: Are there areas of my life that I need to realign and surrender to Christ as my Cornerstone? Submit them to God in prayer, and let him work and guide you accordingly.

1. TODAY'S SPEAKER

Pray for our speaker Mr Sim Kay Tee (Our Daily Bread Ministries) who gives us today's ministry message **"Our Identity in Christ" (1 Peter 2:4-10)**. Pray that we will have attentive hearts to this message given to us.

2. CALLED INTO LIGHT

Dear Lord,

We thank you for choosing us as living stones in your spiritual house. Make us faithful priests, proclaiming your goodness. Though once lost, now we belong to you. Lead us from darkness into your wonderful light, that we may reflect your glory and serve you with joy and purpose. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

3. M.Y. MANNA

Pray the following for M.Y. Manna (a few of our members volunteer with them to deliver food and groceries to low-income beneficiaries):

- * Pray for God's wisdom and hand upon the team as they look into revamping M.Y. Manna to increase their outreach to low-income families.
- * Pray for more manpower and resources to sustain the programme.

THEME: GROWING IN THE KINGDOM

Our Identity in Christ (1 Peter 2:4-10)
Mr Sim Kay Tee (Our Daily Bread Ministries)

Sermon Notes

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:

1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Next Week's Sermon

Our Christian Witness to
the World
(1 Peter 2:11 - 3:7)

Pastor Elder
Leong Che Yeong