

House of God: “Living Stones”

1 Peter 2:4-10

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“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ 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,”^[a]

⁸ and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

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. 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.

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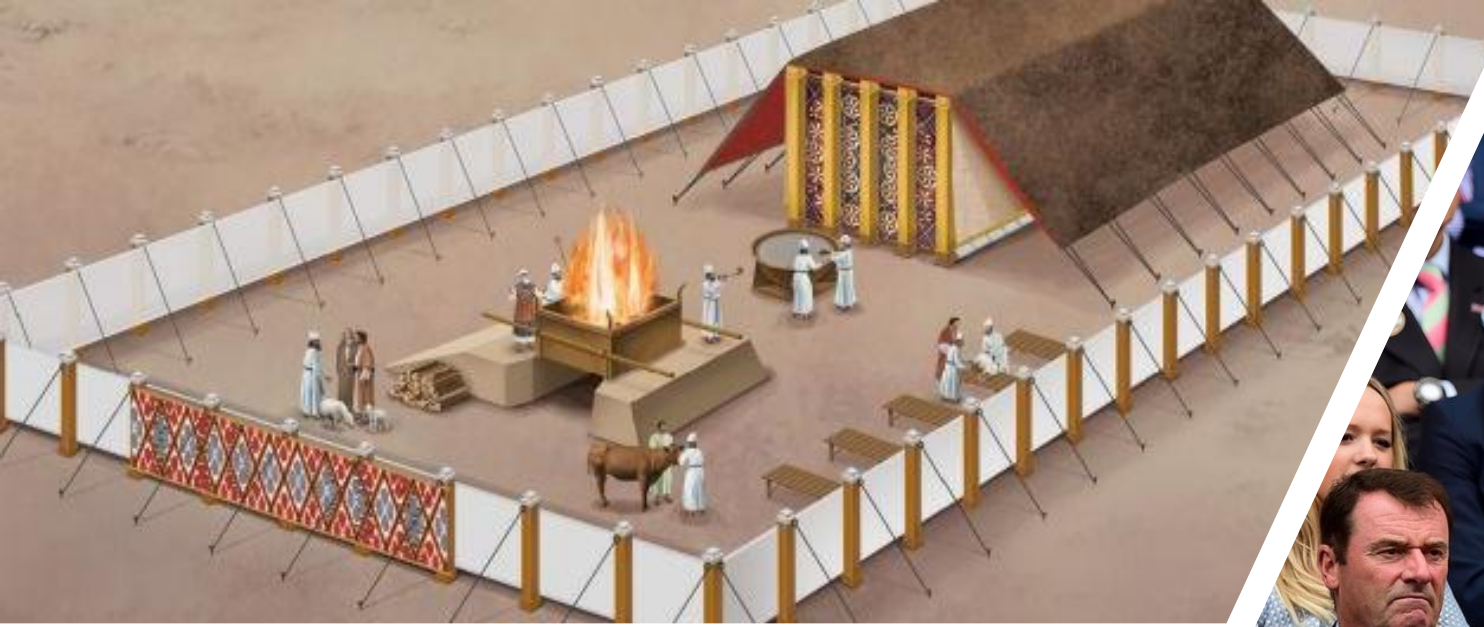
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“ boldness to enter into the holiest
by the blood of Jesus,”

Hebrews 10:19

“For where two or three are
gathered together in my name, there
am I in the midst of them.”

Matthew 18:20

⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

John 1:4

¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the **living** God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:16-18

**“13 Therefore let us go
to him outside the
camp and bear the
reproach he endured.”**

Hebrews 13:13



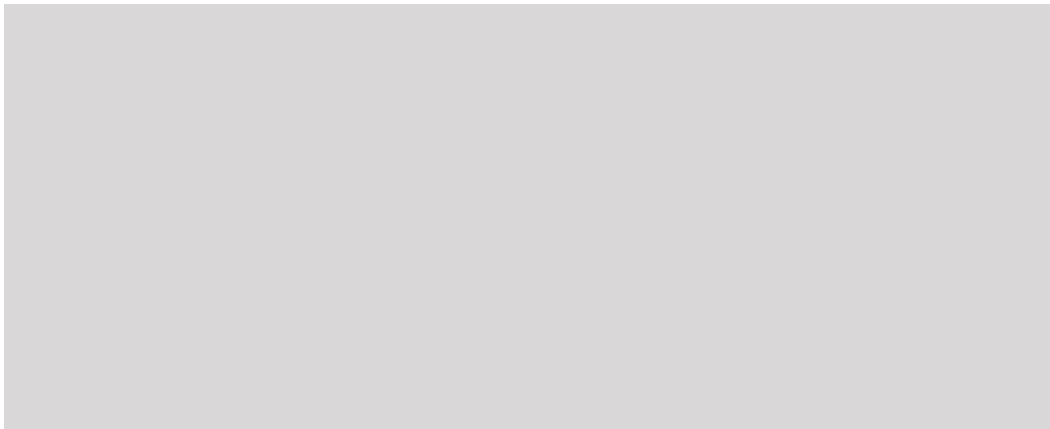
And a voice from heaven said,
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Matthew 3.17

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15 Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. **16** Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13:15-16

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Exodus 19:5-6



*High Priest
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