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1 PETER 2:4-10

1. The Living Stone is the _____. (v.4-7a)

- All that we are depends _____ on Jesus.
- To be a 'house' and a 'priesthood' means believers enjoy the _____ of God and _____ to Him.

2. The Living Stone is the _____ _____. (v.7b-10)

- Your response to Jesus will either _____ you or _____ you.
- The Bible repeatedly gives these twin realities: God is _____ over everything... And people are _____ for their actions.
- Christians are 'living stones,' who like their Lord may be rejected by men on the one hand, but on the other hand this is who God says they are:
 - A Chosen Race
 - A Royal Priesthood
 - A Holy Nation
 - A People for His Own Possession

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3. The Living Stone is the CORNERSTONE. (v.4-7a)

- All that we are depends **wholly** on Jesus.
- To be a 'house' and a 'priesthood' means believers enjoy the **presence** of God and **access** to Him.

4. The Living Stone is the STUMBLING STONE. (v.7b-10)

- Your response to Jesus will either **make** you or **break** you.
- The Bible repeatedly gives these twin realities: God is **sovereign** over everything... And people are **responsible** for their actions.
- Christians are 'living stones,' who like their Lord may be rejected by men on the one hand, but on the other hand this is who God says they are:
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