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Sunday Worship Assembly 9:30 AM Sunday Bible Classes (All Ages) 11:00 AM Wednesday Adult Bible Class 1:30 PM Wednesday Bible Classes (All Ages) 7:00 PM



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# The Correspondent

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## A Rejected Stone

-David R. Ferguson

n Acts chapter 4, Peter and John were arrested for causing quite a stir by healing a man and teaching about the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead in verses 2 and 3. The next day the Jewish leaders, (the very ones who had condemned Jesus some months earlier), asked them by what power were they performing these miracles. Peter answered, and his answer was an interpretation of Jesus' word about the rejected stone found in Matthew 21:42. Starting at the end of verse 8 of Acts 4 Peter declares, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a cripple, by what means this man has been healed, be it 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 is standing before you well. This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the head of the corner. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." Notice Peter's interpretation, one point at a time.

- -Verse 8: The builders are the rulers of the people and elders.
- -Verse 10: The stone is Jesus Christ of Nazareth.
- -Verse 10: The rejection of the stone was the crucifixion of Jesus.
- -Verse 10: The elevation of the stone to the head of the corner was the resurrection of Jesus.
- -Verse 12: The implication of this new position at the head is that there is salvation found in no other. This is the same point that Paul made years later at the Areopagus in Athens: The resurrection declares that Jesus is the Son of God in power: All men everywhere must repent and seek after salvation in Him alone.

That was Peter's interpretation of the word of Jesus in Matthew 21:42 while speaking to the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem. His testimony is still true to this day. We all must turn to Jesus Christ, and Him alone, to find salvation from our sins and have the hope to share in the resurrection with Him.

Salvation is in no other. It isn't in any human creeds or cleverly devised fables. It's not found in the accumulation of material wealth. Choose this day whom you will serve: Will it be the Living Savior, Jesus Christ? Or will it be mammon? May the Lord bless you this week!

- David R. Ferguson preaches for the Mentor Church of Christ in Mentor, OH. - Article obtained from www.bulletingold.com.

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#### The Resurrection of Jesus

- Predicted- Psalm 16:10, Matthew 12:39-40, 16:21
- Different- 1 Kings 17:17-24, John 11:43-44, Matthew 27:52-53, John 10:17-18, Romans 6:9
- Necessary- Romans 1:4, 4:25, 1 Corinthians 15:14-19
- Defeated-Hebrews 2:14, 2 Timothy 1:10, 1 Corinthians 15:25-26,
- Foreshadows- 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, John 5:28-29, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- Imitated- 2 Thessalonians 1:8, Romans 6:1-4

Notes:

#### Worship Service

#### **Announcements**

Song: 622 Tell Me the Story of Jesus

#### **Prayer**

Song: 384 Lead Me to Calvary

#### **Lord's Supper and Contribution**

Song: 726 We Saw Thee Not

Song: 516 One Day

**Scripture Reading:** 1 Corinthians

15:3-8

#### Sermon

Song: 268 I Gave My Life for Thee

Song: 755 When the Roll Is Called Up

Yonder (Vs. 2)

**Prayer** 

#### 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

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**THIRD TWELVE SCRIPTURES** ACCORDING FIVE TIME DIED SINS HUNDRED LAST REMAIN BORN OUT **JAMES** DAY **ASLEEP** ROSE **APOSTLES** CHRIST CEPHAS RECEIVED DUE BURIED

**BRETHREN** 

#### 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 (NKJV)

- For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures.
- and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,
- and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve.
- After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.
- After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles.
- Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.

#### Why Worship?

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. John 4:23