

## HIS Instruments

To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 2:4-5

This scripture is so full and powerful!

This scripture is speaking to us and those to come. Like Jesus was the cornerstone (Isaiah 28:16, Matthew 2:42 & Acts 4:11) we are to be living stones, HIS workmanship (Ephesians 2:10) created to be as HE, Jesus, was in this world (1 John 4:17). Jesus HIMSELF said that we were to do everything HE did and greater (John 14:12-14). We are to be living as Jesus Christ did on a regular basis, on a constant basis.

This statement "Lively Stones" (G2198 Zao) means living water, having vital power in itself and exerting the same upon the soul. WOW! Out of our bellies shall flow rivers of living water (John 7:38). It also means that we are active, blessed, and endless in the Kingdom of God.

We are to be active and endless in the Kingdom of God. WOW, double WOW! How can this be? Greater is HE that is within me, than he that is in the world (1 John 4:4). When we speak, God jumps forth and the Words spoken are not us but HIM and HE is alive and active and sharper than any two-edge sword, penetrating all and bring to pass what HE wills (Hebrews 4:12).

When we are living unto God (Romans 14:8), we no longer live unto ourselves (Romans 12:1, Galatians 2:20) but we live by faith (Romans 1:17) by HIS faith (Galatians 2:20, Habakkuk 2:4) because our own faith will not get us very far, we must walk in the light as HE is in the light (1 John 1:7).

The word "Spiritual" (4152 pneumatikos) in this scripture also give us farther evidence of what God is saying our purpose is. 1 Peter 2:4-5 is telling us that this is pertaining to human spirit which is akin to God and serves as HIS instrument or organ. That HIS spirit in us makes us more than carnal man; that we are filled with and governed by the Spirit of God. We are the temple of God (2 Corinthians 6:16) and we must allow ourselves to be used on a constant basis. We must present ourselves as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1).

When a sacrifice is given, it's not taken back. So, if you find yourself stealing it back from time to time; REPENT you thief and give it back. If you think stealing from one another (Exodus 20:15, Matthew 19:18 & Romans 13:9) hurts God, how must HE feel when we give HIM ourselves, then turn around and sneak off the altar?

Don't steal from God, be HIS instrument. Go into the enemy's camp and set the prisoners free. It doesn't matter how they got there, set them free, then disciple them. Give them that Living Water and let them drink deeply.

Father help us to see the truth of us being Lively Stones, do a mighty work in us today and raise up warriors for your Kingdom. Amen