



Soul Nourishment



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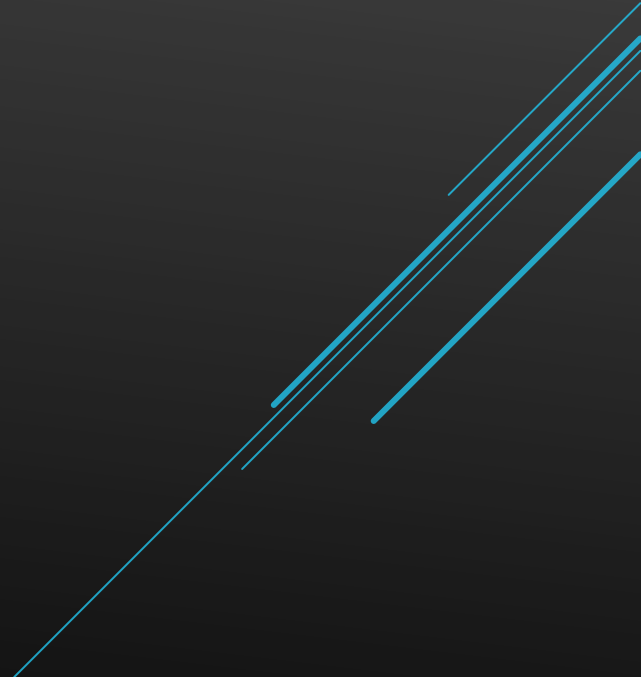


# ROOTED & RISING: A JOURNEY TO GREATER THINGS

Christ, Our Cornerstone

# 1 CORINTHIANS 3:11

After all, no one can lay any other foundation than the one that is already laid, and that foundation is Jesus Christ.

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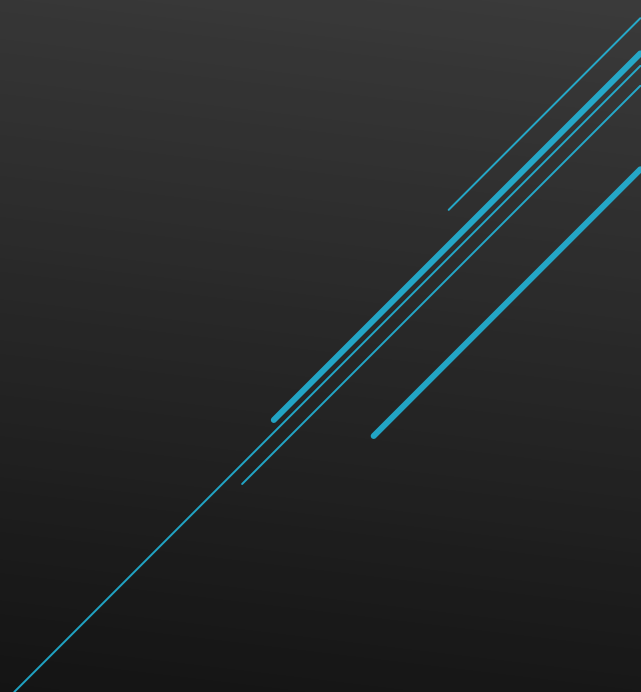
# EPHESIANS 2:19-22

That is why you are no longer foreigners and outsiders but citizens together with God's people and members of God's family.

You are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets. Christ Jesus himself is the cornerstone.

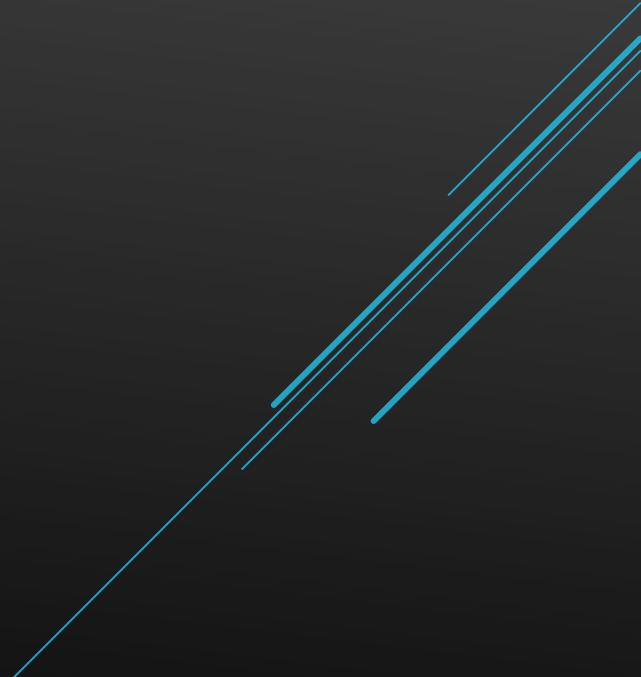
In him all the parts of the building fit together and grow into a holy temple in the Lord.

Through him you, also, are being built in the Spirit together with others into a place where God lives.



MATTHEW 7:24

Therefore, everyone who  
hears what I say and obeys it  
will be like a wise person  
who built a house on rock.



Cultural  
Relativism  
and Pluralism

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and Self-  
Reliance

Moral Shift

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Sacrifice or  
Change

Distraction  
and Busyness

OBSTACLES AND OBJECTIONS TO CHRIST AS THE  
CORNERSTONE

# CULTURAL RELATIVISM AND PLURALISM

- ▶ Cultural Relativism - the idea that truth or morality varies by culture.
- ▶ Pluralism - the belief that all religions or philosophies are equally valid.
- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ John 14:6
  - ▶ Isaiah 45:5-6
  - ▶ Deuteronomy 6:4-5
  - ▶ Isaiah 40:8
  - ▶ Psalm 119:89
  - ▶ Exodus 20:3
  - ▶ 1 Corinthians 10:20-21

# INTELLECTUAL DOUBT AND SECULARISM

- ▶ Intellectual Doubt - the struggle to believe in God due to a reliance on human reasoning or skepticism
- ▶ Secularism - a worldview that prioritizes human reasoning and rejects the divine or supernatural
- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ 2 Corinthians 1:18-20
  - ▶ Isaiah 55:8-9
  - ▶ Ecclesiastes 1:16-18
  - ▶ Proverbs 14:12
  - ▶ Hebrews 11:1
  - ▶ Romans 1:20
  - ▶ Colossians 2:8
  - ▶ 2 Timothy 3:7
  - ▶ Isaiah 1:18
  - ▶ John 20:27-29
  - ▶ James 1:5
  - ▶ Proverbs 3:5-6



# DISTRUST IN ORGANIZED RELIGION

- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ Ephesians 2:29-22
  - ▶ Romans 3:23
  - ▶ Matthew 7:15-16
  - ▶ Jeremiah 17:5-8
  - ▶ 1 Corinthians 3:4-7
  - ▶ Matthew 23:1-4
  - ▶ 2 Timothy 2:13
  - ▶ Isaiah 40:8
  - ▶ Hebrew 10:24-25
  - ▶ 1 Peter 2:9
  - ▶ Colossians 1:18

# INDIVIDUALISM AND SELF- RELIANCE

- ▶ Individualism - the belief in complete self-sufficiency and prioritizing personal autonomy
- ▶ Self-Reliance - trusting only in one's own strength and abilities
- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ Proverbs 28:26
  - ▶ Jeremiah 17:5-6
  - ▶ Psalm 46:1-2
  - ▶ 2 Corinthians 12:9-10
  - ▶ Ecclesiastes 4:9-10
  - ▶ Galatians 6:2
  - ▶ Proverbs 3:5-6
  - ▶ Isaiah 30:21
  - ▶ Matthew 6:31-33
  - ▶ John 15:5
  - ▶ Matthew 16:24-25
  - ▶ James 4:13-15

# MORAL SHIFT

- ▶ The tendency for society to redefine morality based on cultural trends or personal preferences rather than God's unchanging truth.
- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ Isaiah 40:8
  - ▶ Malachi 3:6
  - ▶ Judges 21:25
  - ▶ Proverbs 14:12
  - ▶ Isaiah 5:20
  - ▶ Romans 12:2
  - ▶ 1 Corinthians 16:13
  - ▶ Psalm 119:105
  - ▶ 2 Timothy 3:16-17
  - ▶ Romans 1:21-25
  - ▶ Matthew 24:35
  - ▶ Hebrews 13:8
  - ▶ Micah 6:8
  - ▶ Matthew 5:14-16

# FEAR OF SACRIFICE OR CHANGE

- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ Luke 14:27-28, 33
  - ▶ Proverbs 3:5-6
  - ▶ Isaiah 41:10
  - ▶ Matthew 19:29
  - ▶ 2 Timothy 1:7
  - ▶ Romans 12:1-2
  - ▶ Philippians 4:19
  - ▶ Psalm 37:5-6
  - ▶ 2 Corinthians 4:17-18
  - ▶ Hebrews 12:2-3

# DISTRACTION AND BUSYNESS

- ▶ What Does the Bible Say?
  - ▶ Matthew 6:33
  - ▶ Luke 10:41-42
  - ▶ Mark 4:18-19
  - ▶ 1 John 2:15-17
  - ▶ Psalm 46:10
  - ▶ Matthew 11:28-30
  - ▶ Deuteronomy 8:3
  - ▶ Psalm 119:105
  - ▶ Ephesians 5:15-17
  - ▶ Colossians 3:2
  - ▶ 2 Corinthians 4:18
  - ▶ Mark 1:35
  - ▶ Haggai 1:5-6

INVITATION

