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# The Chief Cornerstone

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Lesson Text: Psalm 114:18-29

Related Scriptures: Isaiah 8:13-17

Matthew 21:42-46

Time of Action: Unknown

Ephesians 2:14-22

1 Peter 2:4-8

Place of Action: Probably Jerusalem

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## Introduction to the Lesson Text

**Golden Text:** “The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner” (Psalms 118:22).

In Bible times, the cornerstone of a building was the most important stone because if it was not exactly right, the whole building would be out of line. All stones would be inspected, and all but the perfect one would be rejected. Jesus applied Psalm 118:22 to Himself, indicating that He had been rejected by the Jewish leaders despite His perfection. Our lesson this week further exalts Jesus as the most important stone of God’s spiritual building, the church.

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## QUESTIONS

1. Where else in Scripture are the words of Psalm 118:14 found?
2. What does the Lord’s “right hand” signify (vss.15-16)?
3. On what basis could the psalmist declare he would not die but live?
4. To what do the “gates of righteousness” refer (vs. 19)?
5. What was the “salvation” of which the psalmist wrote (vs. 21)?
6. To whom is verse 22 applied in the New Testament?
7. What was the purpose of a cornerstone?
8. To what does “the day” in verse 24 refer?
9. On what New Testament occasion were verses 25-26 quoted?
10. What appropriate responses to the Lord’s works does the author describe?