



1 Peter 2:4-10 Discussion Questions

- What do you think of when you think of “the church”?
 - Is it a building, a people, a service? Why?
- In the sermon, Ben emphasized how a cornerstone determines the structure and alignment of everything else. What does it mean that Jesus is the “cornerstone” in 1 Peter 2:6?
 - In what ways are you aligning your life to Christ?
 - What happens when we build on something other than Jesus?
- How does being “built together” challenge an individualistic view of Christianity?
 - Ben pointed out that we’re not just individual bricks, but part of something bigger.
 - Do you feel meaningfully connected to the “spiritual house” God is building? Where do you feel supported? Where could you grow?
- Ben emphasized that for believers, Jesus isn’t just any stone, he’s *precious*, invaluable, and worthy of our full devotion. How does recognizing Christ as “precious” shape your worship and trust?
 - What might keep you from treasuring Him in your everyday life—even while acknowledging His importance?

- The text says that Jesus is not only the foundation for some, but also a stumbling block for others. What aspects of Jesus actually *offend* or cause resistance in our culture and in unbelieving friends?
 - How can we thoughtfully stand firm in the truth of Christ's exclusivity without being dismissive or harsh toward those who struggle with it?
- How does Peter describe believers in verse 9, and why is that significant?
 - Which part of this identity do you find most meaningful or most difficult to believe?
 - How does your view of yourself shift when you remember you're "God's own possession"?
- Ben said the church is not just "saved from" something, but "saved for" something. What does it look like practically to "proclaim his excellencies" this week?
- Verse 10 emphasizes the mercy and transformation we've received. How do we practically live like we have received mercy?
- How would you assess your current engagement in the life and mission of the church?
 - What would it look like to move from "dead weight" to "living stone" in this season?
 - What step of faith or service might God be calling you to take?