THE BLUEPRINT FOR A HOPE-FILLED LIFE

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- Blueprints Are Plans Drawn Up That Explain, Develop and Guide The Construction Of A Building

- 1st Peter 2 = The Blueprints For A Hope Filled Life
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1 Peter 2:4-12 (NIV) (4) As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him—(5) you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (6) For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."
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(7) Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone, (8) and, "A stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the message--which is also what they were destined for. (9) But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.
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(10) Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. (11) Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. (12) Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.
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What Are You Building Your Life On?

- Are You Building On **Living Material In Living Stones**
- Or
- Are You Building With **Dead Materials**
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There Is A Household Of Hope --The Life Built With Living Stones

- *Built On Christ*
- *Thriving In All Situations*
- *Eternal*
- *Spiritual*
- *Hope Filled*
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In Christ We Are Given Tools And Skills To Build Hope Upon:

1. We Are A Chosen People
2. We Are A Royal Priesthood
3. We Are A People Belonging To God
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People Build Their Lives On Many Different Things:
- Finances
- Prepping
- Acquiring Prominence Or Power
- Peace And Security
- Politics
- Education
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- The Most Important Part Of Any Building Is Its Foundation
- What Are You Building On?
  - Something That's Power Based Or Positional
- Building On Yourself
What Blueprint Are We To Build A Hope Filled Life On?

- Not Something Physical, Social, Intellectual, Financial -- Temporal
- It Is Something That Is Spiritual -- Eternal
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- **Romans 8:5 (NIV) (5)** Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.

- **Galatians 5:25 (NIV) (25)** Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

- **Romans 8:14 (NIV) (14)** because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

- **Romans 8:16 (NIV) (16)** The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.
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Build Your House Of Hope On The Chief Cornerstone

Jesus Christ Is The Living Stone

- The Chief Cornerstone On Which To Build

He Overcomes All Aspects & Agencies Of The World

Jesus Christ Is The Only Sure Foundation Of Faith.
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- Building Lives On Christ Is Constructing A Life Of Hope Based On Who He Is And On Who He Makes Us To Be
  - He Is A Living Stone
  - He Is The Chosen Stone
  - He Is The Precious Stone
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*Two Basic Responses To Jesus As “The Cornerstone”:*  
1. Accept Him  
2. Reject Him  
   - Those Who Accept Him –Flourish In Life  
   - Those Who Reject Him Will Fall
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- John 14:6 (NIV) (6) Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.
  - Not Only Is He Informed --He's The Way
  - Not Only Is He Accurate And Honest --He's The Truth
  - Not Only Is He Alive And Living --He Is The Life
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The Blueprint For Hope Includes:

- Coming Out Of The Dark And Into The Light
- Being The People Of God
- Being The People Of His Mercy
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*The People Of God Receive:*

- **Stepping Into The Light** = Insight ; Direction ; Understanding
- **People Of God** = Acceptance; Assurance; Benefits; Blessings
- **People Of His Mercy** = Help ; Grace; Favor
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- We Are Aliens & Strangers Awaiting His Coming
- The Key To A Hope Filled Life & Future: Jesus Christ Is Coming!
- All Sufferings Of This Life Will Be Behind Us When We See Jesus
(Titus 2:11-13 NIV) For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. (12) It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, (13) while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,

We Have A Blessed Hope -- Our God And Savior Will Appear
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- **Hope For A Change – From Death To Life**
- **Hope For A Better Life -- A Resurrected Life**
- **Hope Filled Life Designed & Planned By God**

- **1 Corinthians 15:51-52 (NIV)** (51) Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed-- (52) in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.
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- Our Hope Has A Genuine & Joyful Future
- We Look Forward To Out Great Glorious Hope
- We Are Looking For Him & For His Return
- We Are Going To Live According To The Pattern Of Scripture
- Waiting In Hope For Him!
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- This Is Our Hope!
- Get Ready For Your Future
- Get Ready For Your New Eternal Home
- Get Ready For Your Hope-Filled – New Destiny

- Something New, Great & Glorious Is Ready To Begin
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- **Arrange Your Transportation** -- *Eternal Passport In Order*
- **Pack Your Bags** -- *Only Bring Essentials*
- **Tie Up Loose Ends** – *Get Right With Others*
- **Make Sure You're Ready** -- *Don't Miss Out*