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The Names of Love - Part 26 - Cornerstone

Ps. 118:22-23, "The stone the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone; the LORD has done this and it is marvelous in our eyes."

The name used here for Jesus is AKROGONIALIOS LITHOS, The Chief Cornerstone or Capstone. Jesus was speaking to the Jewish leaders and they couldn't believe that He was the Messiah. Jesus quoted Ps. 118:22-23 to them and they understood that He was saying that they were rejecting Him.

The cornerstone is the most important stone in a building because it sets the pattern and stability for the other stones that are placed afterwards. Isa. 28:16, "So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic."

Paul later put it like this in Eph. 2:19-22, "Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, fellow citizens God's people and also members of His household, the foundation the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself the chief cornerstone. Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple the Lord. In Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit."

I love the lyrics to the hymn The Solid Rock: My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

Jesus is steadfast and immovable. He is our solid rock. He is our sure foundation. We can build upon Him and trust Him.

Dear Father, thank You for being our Solid Rock, our Cornerstone. Help us to build as wise builders and build upon You. We can trust You because You will never be shaken. In Jesus Name, Amen