

# The Living Stones

## Together We Rise – part 2 (Oct. 24)

Colossians 1:15-23,28,29

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

- Acts 2:42-47

## Review

**Who are we coming to? To The One:**

- Who I \_\_\_\_\_ Us To Come
- Who Is L \_\_\_\_\_...
- Who Will Never D \_\_\_\_\_ You
- Who Men R \_\_\_\_\_
- Who is C \_\_\_\_\_ By And P \_\_\_\_\_ To God \_\_\_\_\_

**What Are We Becoming?** The C \_\_\_\_\_

**What Are We To Rest On?** Jesus our C \_\_\_\_\_

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. <sup>10</sup>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. - 1 Peter 2:4-10

## When We Are Living Stones...

**We Are Not A \_\_\_\_\_...**

"I reserve seven thousand in Israel-all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him." 1 Kings 19:18

<sup>20</sup> Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. <sup>21</sup> We are carefully joined together in him, becoming a holy temple for the Lord. Eph 2:20,21

MGCC is getting SERIOUS about TOGETHER  
On January 23rd WE' will become  
A Church **OF** S \_\_\_\_\_ G \_\_\_\_\_!

## **We Are A\_\_\_\_\_**

But you are a chosen people... a people belonging to God...Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God...

We've been accepted by The One who M\_\_\_\_\_ most.

## **We Are V\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>4</sup>As you come to him, the living Stone – rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him – <sup>5</sup>you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house

1. Something's Value Is Determined By What Someone Is Willing To P\_\_\_\_\_
2. Something's Value Is Determined By Who O\_\_\_\_\_ It

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect... - 1 Peter 1:18,19

## **We Are F\_\_\_\_\_**

**Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy...**

What is mercy... not getting what we D\_\_\_\_\_...

<sup>3</sup>Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade – kept in heaven for you.,  
- 1 Peter 1:3,4

**Psalm 103:10-12; Romans 8:1**

## **We Are Here For A P\_\_\_\_\_...**

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## **We are a Royal P\_\_\_\_\_**

- What did priests do?
- How did they become priests?

## **A Holy N\_\_\_\_\_**

The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and ... and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.... - Genesis 12:1-3

**That you may D\_\_\_\_\_ the praises of him  
who called you out of D\_\_\_\_\_ into his wonderful L\_\_\_\_\_**