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Sermon – Build it Right, They will come. Scripture – 1 Peter 2 Main Message – When the foundation is Christ, and the Spirit guides His people, all is well.

The Great Pyramids of the Giza plateau are an amazing thing. I haven't seen them in person, but I sure would like to. What an undertaking, even by today's standards. It is estimated that there are over 2,300,000 stones that make up the Great Pyramid. It's been standing for 1000s of years. It is aligned perfectly with stars and geographical positioning that is unbelievable. Like most things that get built, it started with one single marker: the corner stone. You do that wrong, you got nothing. You do it perfectly, then you have the potential for a truly epic construction.

So, it is with our faith. You must have a foundation that is solid, perfect, and oriented in such a way that it enables the rest of the construction to be right. Everything builds off of that one thing. Consider for a moment though, you do not have a building, let alone a pyramid like those on the Giza plateau without all the other stones. All those stones make up the entirety of a building. Here is how Peter describes it.

Read 1 Peter 2:1-12

Unlike the Pyramid, your role as a stone is not dead, but living. The foundation stone is the corner stone. We, each are the stones, Living Ones, that make up and fulfill God's plan for the ages, not just now, not back then, not in the distant future but now. We who are alive right now are to do his good and perfect will as living stones, not dead ones. We impact the world in ways even bigger than the Great Pyramid. Time itself will degrade and break the Pyramids. Time will have no power over your life as part of the construction of God's kingdom. Did you know you were that important? You should.

Christ died because you are that important. You've made the remainder of the construction that fulfills God's plan for us all. This is OUR TIME to be the workman in the field. This is OUR TIME to insure we hold onto and establish the Christian Faith. It is our time to share the name of JESUS in the world. One day it will be other's time until time is no more.

The world today in some peoples hearts, are stones that are dead, are not alive, have no value and yet don't realize they will have no legacy worth mentioning after they are gone. They are not part of something long-term. They are in it for the pleasure of the moment have little view on God's plan. When I see the crazy nonsense promoted today, I see nothing that will stand the test of time. It is a flash in the pan and nothing more.

However, if you build upon a foundation that has a vision, a plan, a purpose, you are a vital part of the construction that will not simply perish. We must push it forward and not allow it to languish on our watch.