



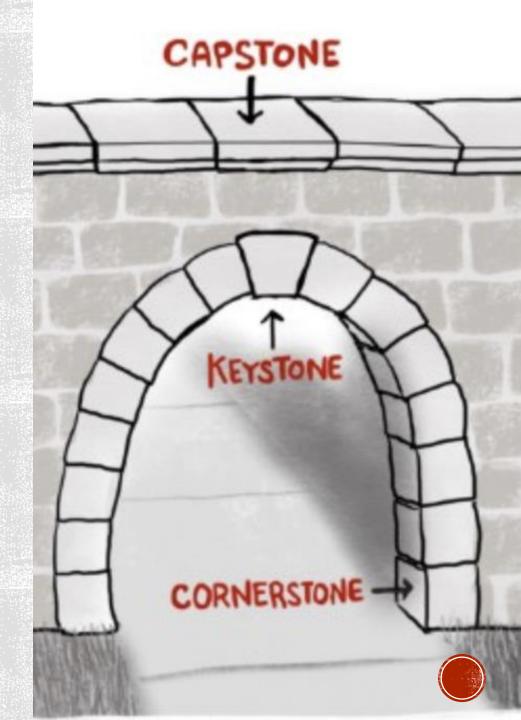
# I AM BEING BUILT INTO A SPIRITUAL HOUSE. 1 PETER 2:5

- I am "under construction"
- You are "under construction"
- We are "under construction"...
   being built together
- The Barn is "under construction"
- The CHURCH is "under construction"

### JESUS, THE CORNERSTONE, KEYSTONE AND CAPSTONE

- The MASTER BUILDER, in relation to EACH STONE:
- Selects- digs out or purchases it
- Cleans it
- Shapes it
- Places it
- Fits it
- Mortars it
- Supports it
- Holds all together





#### 1 PETER 2:4-5 (TPT)

So keep coming to him who is the Living Stone—though he was rejected and discarded by men but chosen by God and is priceless in God's sight. Come and be his "living stones" who are continually being assembled into a sanctuary for God. For now you serve as holy priests, offering up spiritual sacrifices that he readily accepts through Jesus Christ.

#### WHAT ARE "SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES?"

Presenting our bodies as living sacrifices

(Romans 12:1).

Sacrifices of faith (Philippians 2:17).

Sacrifices of praise (Hebrews 13:15).

Sacrifices of doing good

(Hebrews 13:16, Romans 12:13, James 1:27). Sacrifices of material assistance

(Philippians 4:18).

Simply following the promptings of the Spirit

### I AM PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST

- But in fact, God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. 1 Corinthians 12:18-19
- Each part of the body has different, needed functions.
- I am a dwelling in which Christ lives Ephesians 2:22
- I am His temple1 Corinthians 6:19





# THE BARN'S 4-PART VISION STATEMENT

- Encountering God
- Nurturing Community
- Transforming Lives
- Living the Adventure



#### I AM GOD'S WORKMANSHIP EPH 2:10

NIV: I am God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for me to do.

AMP: For we are His workmanship [His own master work, a work of art], created in Christ Jesus [reborn from above spiritually transformed, renewed, ready to be used] for good works, which God prepared [for us] beforehand [taking paths which He set], so that we would walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us].

TPT: We have become his poetry, a re-created people that will fulfill the destiny he has given each of us, for we are joined to Jesus, the Anointed One. Even before we were born, God planned in advance our destiny and the good works we would do to fulfill it!

### REFLECT: WHAT HAS GOD PREPARED FOR YOU TO DO?

How is he developing spiritual gifts in you recently?

What opportunities is he opening in your family, your work, your community, your church?

How has he nudged you to be involved in ongoing ministries or to initiate new ones? How is he calling you into deeper relationship with other believers?

Prayerfully decide on one thing this week as a way to present yourself to God





COL 1:27

God's power is at work within me. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

The power of life (John 5:26) and to move and have my being comes from God (Acts 17:28)

He gives me power so that I can have great power and endurance and patience (Colossians 1:11)

His power renews me in knowledge of his image (Colossians 3:9)

My very existence depends on him. Apart from him I can do nothing. (John 15:5)

His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. (2 Peter 1:3)

The Father has blessed me in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. (Ephesians 1:3)

He gives me power for all that he has prepared for me to do.



## WE ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- I am confident that he who began a good work in me will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6
- because I'm fully convinced that the One who began this gracious work in you will faithfully continue the process of maturing you until the unveiling of our Lord Jesus Christ!

  Philippians 1:6 TPT