**1 Peter 2:4-10: The Church, the New Spiritual Temple and the New People of God**

1. The Temple Consists of the Living Stone and Living Stones (vv.4-5)
   1. Christ is the Living Stone
   2. The Church are Living Stones
2. Christ is the Cornerstone of the New Temple (vv.6-8)
   1. He is the Chosen Cornerstone (v.6)
      1. Quoting Isaiah 28:16
   2. He is the Rejected Cornerstone (v.7)
      1. Quoting Psalm 118:22
   3. He is the Stone of Offense and Stumbling (v.8)
      1. Quoting Isaiah 8:14
3. The Church is the New People of God (vv.9-12)
4. Applications and Implications
   1. “Proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”
   2. “Abstain from the passions of the flesh which wage war against your soul”
   3. “Keep your conduct honorable among the Gentiles.”