

Sunday, February 14, 2021
"Hope-Filled Living"
Summary of God's Spiritual Building
1 Peter 2:4-8
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In this passage, Peter presents a profoundly positive and exalted view of the church. Why? It is not that these early churches were so much more pure, more godly, more evangelistic, more worshipful, and more theological than contemporary churches. A close look at these churches, I am sure, would turn up the same kind of factors present in modern churches: envy and jealousy, sexual immorality and perversions, insubordination and rebellion. In order to appreciate Peter's perspective on the church, it is important to grasp what constituted that church: a group of sinful people who had come to Christ for salvation and who were committed to walking in obedience. *And that is no different from biblical churches today.*



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