



I Peter 2:4-6 The Believer's Relationship with Christ

1. Christ's Role in this Relationship. 4.
 - a. He is a living Stone. *as unto a living stone*
 - b. He is rejected by men. *disallowed indeed of men*
 - c. He is chosen by God. *but chosen of God*
 - d. He is valued by God. *and precious*
2. Our Role in this Relationship. 5a.
 - a. We came to Him. *To whom coming*
 - b. We are made like Him. *Ye also, as lively stones*
 - c. We are built by Him. *are built up*
 - d. We are one with Him. *a spiritual house*
 - e. We represent Him. *an holy priesthood*
3. Our Opportunity in this Relationship. 5b.
 - a. We are privileged to offer spiritual sacrifices.
to offer up spiritual sacrifices
 1. Standing for Christ.
 2. Abstaining from sin and worldliness.
 3. Laboring for God.
 - b. Our offering is acceptable to God through Christ.
acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
4. The Foretelling of this Relationship. 6.
 - a. This entire relationship was planned by God.
Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture
 - b. God the Father made Jesus the Cornerstone.
Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious
 - c. God chose for us to fulfill our purpose in Christ.
and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

It is we who are reconciled to God, not He who has to be reconciled to us.