



GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF AUGUST 16 & 17, 2025 | DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?

WARM-UP QUESTION

Take a moment to check in: How did your “I will” statements go this past week?

DISCUSS

Read 1 Peter 2:4- 8

- What was the cultural and religious significance of the “cornerstone” in the first century? (*look this up!*) How does this deepen your understanding of Jesus’ role?
- What is your “cornerstone”? What are you building your life on, and what fruit is being produced as a result?
- What does this passage reveal about God’s intentionality in building His people into a spiritual house?
- God’s presence meets us where there’s both desire and dependence. How do you typically show up to church, group, or your personal time? What would it look like to come hungry and reliant on Him?
- Verse 8 shows that those who do not obey God’s word stumble. Is there an area in your life right now where you find it difficult to obey God?

Read 1 Peter 2:9-12

- Where else in Scripture do you see our identity in Jesus described?
- What similarities do you notice between Christ being chosen by God in verse 4 and believers being chosen in verse 9? What might Peter be emphasizing by connecting the two?
- Peter writes about “sinful desires that wage war against your soul.” Why do you think he uses the imagery of war instead of something softer?
- When people look at your life, what do you hope they notice? How can you cultivate those traits in the middle of life’s battles?

TAKE ACTION

Read verse 10 again. Reflect on where you were to where you are now. Fill in the blanks and share with the group: “I used to ____, but God ____.” (ex: I used to *find my worth in material things*, but God *showed me that my worth comes from him*).

Based on the sentence you made above, craft a personal and practical “I will” statement (ex: I will make a list of what I’m grateful for to find contentment where I’m at):

- Keep it specific, realistic, and doable this week.
- Share your “I will” statement with the group for encouragement and accountability.