



DOCTRINAL FOUNDATIONS

Sunday Bible Lesson
4/14/24

Doctrinal Foundations 7

The Doctrine Of Oneness of the Godhead

- We have established that God is One from Deuteronomy 6:4.
- We have established that God is a Spirit from John 4:24.
- We have established that this God who is a Spirit made Himself to be a body and came to this earth to become our salvation from Exodus 15:2.

Colossians 2:9, *“For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.”*

- We established that the name of our God is Jesus from Luke 1:31 and Matthew 1:21.
- Son of Man is a title that refers to the Lord’s humanity.
- Son of God is a title that refers to His deity.

The One True and Almighty God became a Man called The Lord Jesus Christ.

We have been able to determine that the very beginning point of Salvation is Faith. In fact we can’t even begin the process without Faith.



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Faith is our personal, intimate knowledge the Person, Identity, and Plan of God that enables us to discern what He intends to do so that we can act in harmony with Him.

Faith active is acting in harmony with what we have discerned God intends to do (acting on our knowledge of His Person, Identity, and Plan). Faith inactive is dead, being alone.

The Foundation:

It is this Oneness knowledge, Faith, that is the very **foundation** of Christianity in Peter's message from 2 Peter 1. Faith is the Foundation **upon** which all else is to be built.

2 Peter 1:5-7, *"**5And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.**"*

All in all, faith, or our Oneness knowledge, is the starting point if we are going to build a successful Christian life!

It is also interesting that it is **upon** this Rock of Revelation or our Oneness knowledge that the Lord builds His Church. Matthew 16:13-21, *"**13When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? 14And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others,**"*



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Jeremias, or one of the prophets. ¹⁵He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? ¹⁶And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. ¹⁷And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. ¹⁸And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ²⁰Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ. ²¹From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.” This passage tells us that it is upon the knowledge of who the Lord Jesus was that the church was going to be built.

Matthew 7:24-29, *“²⁴Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: ²⁵And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was **founded** upon a rock. ²⁶And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: ²⁷And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it. ²⁸And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: ²⁹For he taught them as one having*



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authority, and not as the scribes.” This passage tells us that we build upon the rock. We find the rock first and then we build.

Luke 6:46-49, *“⁴⁶And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? ⁴⁷Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, **and** doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: ⁴⁸He is like a man which built an house, and **digged deep**, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was **founded** upon a rock. ⁴⁹But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that **without a foundation** built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.”*

1 Corinthians 3:9-15, *“⁹For we are labourers together with God: ye are God’s husbandry, ye are God’s building. ¹⁰According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. ¹¹For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹²Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; ¹³Every man’s work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man’s work of what sort it is. ¹⁴If any man’s work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. ¹⁵If any man’s work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.”* This passage tells us that “Another buildeth **thereon**.” In other words, they don’t get a new foundation to build on, but they build on the one already laid. But let every man take heed **how** (not,



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‘with what materials used, but follow the steps given in 2 Peter 1:5-7) he buildeth **thereupon**...build **upon this** foundation.’

Ephesians 2:20-22, ***“²⁰And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; ²¹In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: ²²In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.”***

Matthew 28:20, ***“Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”*** This verse assures us we are to let the apostles, not our own opinions and traditions, be our teachers. We must obey Christ’s instructions as they did.

Isaiah 28:9-13, ***“⁹Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. ¹⁰For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: ¹¹For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. ¹²To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. ¹³But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.”*** God spoke to people who would not hear. They built everything in the right order, as the word of the Lord must be, but the end result was their destruction. This



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can only be because they began with the wrong foundation! In Isaiah 28:16 God said He would become the Foundation Stone. *“Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.”* But those builders rejected Him. So their building, though precept upon precept as it was supposed to be, could not stand!

When the Lord YAHWEH also became our salvation (Yeshua', Jesus) He was rejected. God become the Man Christ Jesus is our Foundation. The doctrine that expounds that truth must be our Foundation Doctrine. It expresses the Foundation Truth!

It is good to know that **the same stone who was rejected is the stone who will grind to powder** all those who rejected Him! In the parable of the man who planted a vineyard and then sent his son to go check on it and they rejected the son, it is the Son who is rejected and the Father who destroys those who rejected the Son. Yet, in Jesus Christ's own interpretation of the parable, the stone rejected (the Son) is the stone who will grind to powder (the Father). So, the Lord Jesus Christ is both the Son (Ultimate Human) and the Father (Absolute Deity). This truth is the Foundation!

Exodus 15:2, *“The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.”*



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Psalm 118:14, *"The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation."*

Psalm 118:21-24, *"²¹I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation. ²²The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. ²³This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. ²⁴This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."*

Isaiah 12:1-3, *"¹And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me. ²Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation. ³Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation."*

Acts 4:10-12, *"¹⁰Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. ¹¹This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. ¹²Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."*

1 Peter 2:3-8, *"³If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious. ⁴To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, ⁵Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house,*



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an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. ⁶Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. ⁷Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, ⁸And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.”