



# STUDY #2 Rocks

*When we look a rock, we can learn something of the God who created it!*

*Here are 4 ways that rocks speak of their creator!*

## 1- Rocks speak of a creator who is secure!

Rocks can be used to build a secure fortress, a safe refuge, and a strong tower. God is all of that to us! You will notice a theme in the following verses about God as our rock. They all include words like "salvation", "deliverer", "redeemer". The greatest security is not to be temporarily protected from an earthy trial but to be eternally delivered from this sinful world!

- **Psalm 18:46** The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock and exalted be the God of my salvation.
- **2 Samuel 22:2** The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer.
- **Psalm 62:6** He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
- **Psalm 19:14** O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.
- **Psalm 71:2-3** In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me, and save me! Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- **Psalm 18:3** The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- **Psalm 61:2-3** Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy.
- **Isaiah 26:4** Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock.

## 2- Rocks speak of a creator who is hard!

God is not harsh, but He is hard. He is hard for the sinner to accept, and he is hard on sin. All sin will be crushed. Either it is crushed under God's grace when we turn to him, or it will be crushed under God's justice in the judgment if we do not. Either God breaks our sin or sin breaks us.

- **Luke 20:18** Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.
- **Daniel 2:34** As you looked, a stone was cut out by no human hand, and it struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.
- **1 Peter 2:8** So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

### 3- Rocks speak of a creator who is firm!

- **Matthew 7:24** Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.
- **1 Corinthians 3:11** For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
- **1 Corinthians 10:4** For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.
- **Acts 4:11** This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.

### 4- Rocks speak of a creator who is beautiful!

- **1 Chronicles 29:2** Now with all my ability I have provided for the house of my God the gold for the things of gold, and the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, onyx stones and inlaid stones, stones of antimony and stones of various colors, and all kinds of precious stones and alabaster in abundance.
- **Revelation 21:10-11** He showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. (See also verse 10-21)
- **Revelation 4:3** And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. (See also Ezekiel 10:1)
- **Revelation 2:17** To the one who conquers... I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it.
- **Exodus 25:7** ...onyx stones, and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the breast piece. (See also 28:17, 39:10)

#### Share!

How have you experienced rocks as secure, hard, firm or beautiful?

Share an experience you have had with rocks that has helped you to connect with God.

What is your biggest takeaway from this study?

#### Sing!

Rock of Ages, Faithful One, Cornerstone, In Christ Alone, On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand