# What is a Christian?

#### 1 Peter 2:4-8

#### February 12, 2017

You can have a true description of a thing, but not a full definition.

#### What is a Christian?

We all think that we have an answer from our own experience.

A Christian is a believer in the gospel, right?

## A Christian is One Who Comes to Christ v 4

A daily, relentless pursuit of the person of Christ.

According to the OT, what does coming to God mean?

What is the priesthood of all believers?

As priests: we have direct access to God. we do not need a human priest to intercede for us we can serve God by serving others.

## Who is this Christ?

A living stone - the vital, life-giving source for the living temple.

Rejected by men (Psalm 118:22; Isaiah 28:16; 8:14)

Why do men reject their God? The only living God?

Chosen and precious to God

## A Christian is a Living Stone in a Spiritual House

What is a living stone?

We are the new community.

"How is your spiritual life?"

## A Christian is a Holy Priest

We are set apart as priests. We can approach God directly.

# A Christian offers Acceptable Spiritual Sacrifices through Jesus Christ

What are these spiritual sacrifices? (Romans 12:1; Philippians 4:18; Hebrews 13:15-16)

## Who is this Christ?

A Cornerstone: The foundation, the square of the new building

Jesus as a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.

#### So, What is a Christian?