

The Rejected Stone the Head of the Corner

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Text: “. . .*the stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner. . .*” (Matthew 21:42).

[Editor's Note: I thought it would be interesting to put up some of Rev. Robinson's sermons in original form. Most of them are not in good enough shape to scan like this, but this one works well as a scan. You will see typos and misspelled words and notes penciled in, some of which are illegible. Although he typed many of his sermons, the typewriter he used was quite primitive and makes the copy hard to read, especially with the aging of the paper, but it does give you a glimpse into his sermon preparation and delivery. Enjoy.]

"THE REJECTED STONE THE HEAD OF THE CORNER"
Matt. 21;42

I shall not invite you back to the dark and gloomy scenes of calvary tonight. Or to those awful hours in gethsemene as the savior tread the wine press alone, and was obedient unto death. Not because the story is getting old or becoming less attractive. But because we are facing something more eminent, and picturesque

The life of that peasant was lived in the little country of Palestine. only a comparatively few people knew him and heard his words. But those were the days when he was a servant.

It is always interesting to walk down by the shores of the river Jordan and become a member of Johns congregation, and see the Carpenter as he comes down to be baptised of John. I like to sit with him on Jacobs well and listen to the master soul winner as he wins a lost soul from the very brink of degradation.

I like to fancy myself walking with him down the dusty roads as he meets the leper, and blind Barimeas.. I like to join that solem crowd at the last supper and behold him as he teaches the true road to greatness by washing the disciples feet

I like to follow Him as he crosses the brook kidron into the sacred solitude of Gethsemene.

I have even lived among that crowd and fancied myself seeing him before Pilat, I have tried to stand in the shadow of the cross and join the dying thief as he cried Lord remember me when thou cometh into thy kingdom. I can thrill to the reply. Today shalt thou be with me in paradise. I like to go out among the shambles and listen to Peter as he weeps bitterly. and to go down on the third day with the women as they go to the tomb to embalm his body only to find it empty.

We can always receive sacred and solem impressions from such a remembrance. It always thrills with the deepest emotions.

But tonight I donot want to take you back into the past but rather let us turn about and look into the future and get set for the transactions of the end time.

Let us stand with Moses on Mt. Nebo as he gazed over into the Green pastures and still waters of the promis land.

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Or on the plaines of Mamre with Abraham when he by faith saw a City that had foundations whose builder and maker was God. Or rather walk with Enoch and look through his eyes as he saw far out into the future to that day when the Lord will be coming on the clouds with ten thousand of his saints.

Christ comeing the first time.

No room in the *inā*.

No room in their Homes

No room in the Temple.

He didnt fit into the worlds program so they led him to calvary, murdered him and got him out of the way.

The rejected stone.

They said we cannot have him in our building he doesnt fit. He condemns our sins. He is against our order we will kill him and build on our own foundation.

They began to build without Christ on a *tragic* rotten foundation.

And the story that follows is the most *tragic* bloody, story ever told. It was a nation baptised in their own blood and tears. They said let his blood be upon us and on our children.

The Story of the Roman envasion makes the blood run cold. The story of the Jewish suffering in Europe is unparalleled in horror in humane history.

The corner stone has been rejected, men have built upon hay, wood and stubble. They have built their house upon the sand.

But the storm is coming The world has yet to reckon twith the rejected cornor stone.

He will come out of hiding one day, not as a servant but without sin unto salvation, He will not come to serve but to reign. Not to die but as thea king of life.

Not to be tried by a Herod and condemned by High priests. But to take the reigns of Govt.

Isiah saw Him high and lifted up.

David saw the day when the stone which the builder refused would becom the head of the corner.

Daniel saw the stone without hand come out of the Mt. and begin to grow until it filled the whole earth.

Malaci saw the sun of righteousness rise with healing in his wings.

Napoleon on the isle of St. Helena referred to the Empires built by the Monarchs of earth and the one founded by Jesus Christ.

John asw Him coming as a warrior with a vesture dipped in blood, and a sword in his hand.

The the meek shall inherit the earth.