A SURE FOUNDATION

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"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."

Isaiah 28:16

What glorious and inspired language the prophet used in describing the coming of the Messiah, our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, our Rock! He is the Solid Rock on which every life should be built. To those who believe, He is precious. To others He is a rock of offense. Those who are not built upon Him and upon obedience to His Word are building their lives on sand and will not withstand the storms of life.

He is the Chief Cornerstone of the New Testament church. The stone which the builders rejected became the head of the corner. He is the stone cut out without hands Whose kingdom shall destroy all other kingdoms. Those who fall on this stone will be broken, and those who the stone falls upon will be ground to powder.

He is "a sure foundation." There is no more sure foundation than Jesus Christ. So many are building their lives and families on that which is shifting and uncertain. The safest and surest place to be for time and eternity is trusting in the Lord, resting on the "sure foundation."

"He that believeth shall not make haste." Believing on Him means having absolute confidence that Jesus is the way of salvation and the giver of eternal life and trusting

entirely in Him and His sacrificial death for one's redemption. He that has his faith in Christ will not be forced to flee in fear and shame, but is eternally secure in the Lord. Our faith in Christ is not a passing fancy. We are not looking for another way because we know we have found the only way.

This assurance is not based on any merit of our own. Bible salvation is not earned by religious works or human effort. Our complete confidence is in Him, His divine person, His sinless life, His vicarious death and bodily resurrection, and His exceeding great and precious promises. We know with certainty who He is, what He has done, and what He can do for others. For this reason, we are not ashamed of Him. We can boldly say that the Lord is our Helper. We can point others to Calvary with absolute assurance that He is the answer for the needs of the world. We see such uncertainty and confusion in our generation. What a joy to know that in Christ we have found "a sure foundation!"

Let's Pray

Dear heavenly father, thank you for your word today. I pray that this devotional has blessed the person reading this and that the Holy Spirit will continue to speak to his or her heart. I ask this in Jesus name. Amen