

THE ROCK



“You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay, and crushed them. Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were crushed all at the same time, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that not a trace of them was found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.” Dan. 2:34-35

1. THE INCOMPARABLE ROCK. Vs. 44



A. IS GOD'S REIGN.

“And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom...” vs. 44a

“And all who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain. If anyone has an ear, let him hear.” Rev. 13:8-9

“Thus he said: ‘The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it. As for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings will arise; and another will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will subdue three kings. And he will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.’ Dan. 7:23-25

“But the court will sit for judgment, and his dominion will be taken away, annihilated and destroyed forever.” Dan. 7:26

“Then the sovereignty, the dominion, and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One; His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all the dominions will serve and obey Him.” vs. 27



2. IS ETERNAL.

“...a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people...”

vs. 44b

“As he had come naked from his mother’s womb, so will he return as he came. He will take nothing from the fruit of his labor that he can carry in his hand.” Eccles. 5:15

“For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either.” 1 Tim. 6:7

“And they shall live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, that, and their sons, and their sons’ sons, forever; and David My servant shall be their prince forever.” Ezek. 37:25

“And there shall no longer be any night; and they shall not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God shall illumine them; and they shall reign forever and ever.” Rev. 22:5

A dramatic landscape of jagged, layered rock formations under a bright sun with lens flare. The sun is positioned behind a central rock peak, creating a strong backlight effect and radiating light rays. The rocks are dark brown and grey, with visible horizontal strata. The sky is a clear, pale blue. The overall scene conveys a sense of power and endurance.

3. CRUSHES.

“...it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.” vs. 45c

“For behold, I create a new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem for rejoicing, and her people for gladness.” Isa. 65:17-18

“And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies, assembled to make war against Him who sat upon the horse, and against His army.” Rev. 19:19

“And then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders.”
2 Thess. 2:8-9

“Why are the nations in an uproar, and the peoples devising a vain thing? The kings of the earth take their stand, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and against His Anointed: ‘Let us tear their fetters apart, and cast away their cords from us!’” Ps. 2:1-3

“Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; take warning, O judges of the earth. Worship the Lord with reverence, and rejoice with trembling. Do homage to the Son, lest He become angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!” Ps. 2:10-12



**2. THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAND ON THE
ROCK. Vs. 45-49**

“Inasmuch as you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain without hands...the great God has made known to the king what will take place in the future; so the dream is true, and its interpretation is trustworthy.” vs. 45

Having Jesus as your Rock means:

A. You may be anchored in His unchanging Word.

“In order that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may have strong encouragement, we who have fled for refuge in laying hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil.” Heb. 6:18-19

B. God will lift you up.

“Humble yourselves therefore, under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time.” 1 Peter 5:6

C. You will be a source of help to others.

“And Daniel made request of the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego over the administration of the province of Babylon, while Daniel was at the king’s court.” vs. 49

APPLICATION FOR ME:

JESUS is the ONLY foundation Stone which God has provided.

JESUS is most precious.

JESUS is the Stone of stumbling and the Rock of offense.

JESUS is the Rock which will fill the whole earth with His glory and His Rule.

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