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Represent - 1 Pt 2:4-25

Gardening to grounding: Flowers need a foundation too

What you are building determines materials

Stones of hindrance: distanced (stumbling) and stones help

The church is the structure the world needs to see

As with every structure and body some are more prominent

Foundational stones for a lasting structure

What your life is founded and focused on impacts the whole

The glory belongs to the builder's touch

Understanding yourself as a part of a greater more glorious whole

What we are: Not held back by our past – lineage to be height of influence, with a privileged access and inheritance

Branson and Bezos may go in to space we have access to its creator

Influencers: Ronaldo, Grande, Jenner, Gomez, Eilish, Mendez,

The building and ornaments: Formation implementation

Respect others: words and deeds

Love the family of believers

Revere God

Honor the Emperor: Not about changing institutions but hearts

N.T. Wright's view

Why? John 19:11

Jesus was not a law breaker but a tradition breaker

He interacted not a son of thunder but the son of God

Interact, not as The Sons of Thunder

Eph 4:14-16 but as Paul says, speaking the truth in love.

Our Job is not to convince the world as much as it is to represent to the world a better way of living in community.

Jesus' didn't deserve it

Why must I respect? He Respected us

Love? His blood still flows for our forgiveness

Revere? He welcomes us into his Cathedral

Honor Authorities to live as Christ Examples, We get too!!!