Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Come, thou Fount of every blessing. hither by Thy help I'm come; tune my heart to sing Thy grace; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, streams of mercy, never ceasing, safely to arrive at home. call for songs of loudest praise. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Teach me some melodious sonnet. wandering from the fold of God; sung by flaming tongues above. He, to rescue me from danger, Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love. interposed His precious blood. -Robert Robinson, 1735-1790 01.tif 02.tif The Stone was Raised Ebenezer: "Till now the LORD has helped us."-1 Samuel 7:12 ESV in a Specific Place 04.tif 03.tif

The Stone was Raised for a Symbolic Purpose

"Revival is a renewed conviction of sin and repentance, followed by an intense desire to live in obedience to God. It is giving up one's will to God in deep humility." —Charles Finney

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⁹So Samuel took a nursing lamb and offered it as a whole burnt offering to the LORD. And Samuel cried out to the LORD for Israel, and the LORD answered him. ¹⁰As Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to attack Israel. But the LORD thundered with a mighty sound that day against the Philistines and threw them into confusion, and they were routed before Israel. —1 Samuel 7:9-10 ESV

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" —John 1:29 ESV

"We cannot find God without God.

We cannot reach God without God.

We cannot satisfy God without

God-which is another way of

saying that all our seeking will

fall short unless God starts and

finishes the search."

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For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. —1 Corinthians 5:7 ESV

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"The decisive part of our seeking is not our human ascent to God, but His decent to us. Without God's descent there is no human ascent. The secret of the quest lies not in our brilliance, but in His grace."

- O.S. Guinness

"The biblical gospel is like fuel in the furnace of worship. The more you understand about it, believe it and rely upon it, the more you adore God both for who He is and for what He has done for us in Christ."

—Greg Gilbert

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"Brethren, if we have done anything for Christ, if we have achieved any victories, if in this house any souls have been converted, any hearts sanctified, any drooping spirits comforted, bear witness that it has been all through the Lamb." —Charles H. Spurgeon	The Stone was Raised for Strategic Instruction
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"Till now" (Looking Backward)	"the LORD has helped" (Looking Ahead)
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fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. —Isaiah 41:10 ESV	"us." (Present)
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11 will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old.
12 will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. 13 Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God?
14 You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. —Psalm 77:11-14 ESV

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

-Robert Robinson, 1735-1790

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Ebenezer: "Till now the LORD has helped us."—1 Samuel 7:12 ESV

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