

“Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation...” *Isaiah 28:16*

## *Research Cornerstones*

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