

# ***Five Smooth Stones Going Forward***

*“He took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd’s pouch.” 1 Samuel 17:40*

**Introduction: Stones that Hinder:** *“Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” Mark 16:3*

## **Four Connecting Stones**

**Connect to God by Grace:** Hebrews 13:9

**Connect to One Another by Love:** John 13:34

**Connect to the World by Demonstration:** Matthew 5:16

**Connect Daily to the Source-Stone:** 1 Corinthians 10:4

## **Five Stones to Drop**

**Resistance:** Ezekiel 36:26

**Judgement:** John 8:1-11

**Sin/Weights:** Hebrews 12:1

**Shallowness/Worldliness:** Luke 8:13-14

**Self-Reliance:** Matthew 11:28-30

## **Final Word: The Cornerstone!**

*“Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.” Ephesians 2:20-22*

*“For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 3:11*