

# Stones God Is Shaping

by Mary Wilder Tileston

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*God is shaping us into stones for the heavenly temple, and our role is to trust in His timing and submit to His work in our lives.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 62:5, Proverbs 3:5, Isaiah 64:8, Ephesians 2:20, 1 Peter 2:5

**Topics:** "Spiritual Growth", "Gods Sovereignty"

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## Description

Mary Wilder Tileston preaches about the process of being shaped by God into stones for His heavenly temple, emphasizing the need to be still in God's hands and allowing Him to work on us. She highlights the importance of patience and trust in God's timing, as each individual has a specific place in His grand design. The sermon encourages believers to embrace the shaping process, allowing God to chip away at pride, self-love, and worldly desires to become pillars in His kingdom.

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## Transcript

Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

EPHESIANS 2:20-22

WHEN God afflicts thee, think He hews a rugged stone,

Which must be shaped, or else aside as useless thrown.

RICHARD CHENEVIX TRENCH

WHAT comforts me is the thought that we are being shaped here below into stones for the heavenly temple,--that to be made like Him is the object of our earthly existence. He is the shaper and carpenter of the heavenly temple. He must work us into shape, our part is to be still in His hands; every vexation is a little chip; also we must not be in a hurry to go out of the quarry, for there is a certain place for each stone, and we must wait till the building is ready for that stone; it would put out the building if we were taken pell-mell.

CHARLES GEORGE GORDON

Oh, thrice fools are we, who like new-born princes weeping in the cradle, know not that there is a kingdom before them; then, let our Lord's sweet hand square us, and hammer us, and strike off the knots of pride, self-love, and world-worship, and infidelity, that He may make us stones and pillars in His Father's house.

SAMUEL RUTHERFORD

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