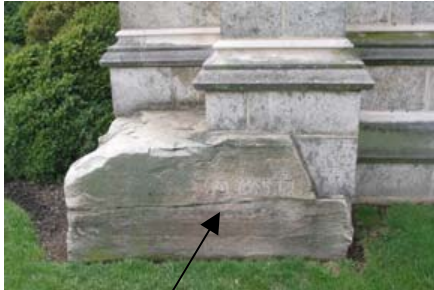


## Cornerstones

*“On this rock I will build My church” (Matthew 16:18).*



*“Ro’sh Pinnah” [head of the corner]*

Have you ever looked at the cornerstone of a building? Here is a photograph of the cornerstone of the Bryn Athyn Cathedral (in Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania near Philadelphia). Like many buildings, it has a cornerstone incorporated in the foundation. There are Hebrew words inscribed on the stone: “ro’sh pinnah” which means “the head of the corner” and is a portion of the verse in the Psalms (later echoed in Luke 20:17):

“The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone” (Psalm 118:22).

### **Possible Activities:**

- Look for the cornerstones of buildings in your area. Is there a special inscription on any of them?
- Show your children the foundation of your home and talk about the need for a firm foundation for a building.
- Find a flat rock and use acrylic paint to write a quote from the Word on it. Keep this rock as a “cornerstone” in your own life.
- Another option is to write a quote from the Word (or a couple of words from it) on the foundation of your home. One possibility would be to write “we will serve the Lord” from the beautiful quote in Joshua: “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord” (Joshua 24: 2 ).

