

“Stone” theme in Luke’s Gospel

3:8: “Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these **stones** to raise up children to Abraham.”

4:3: “The devil said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command this **stone** to become a loaf of bread.’”

4:9-11: “if you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a **stone**.’”

13:34: “Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and **stones** those who are sent to it!”

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19:39-40: Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the **stones** would shout out.”

19:44: “They will crush you [Jerusalem] to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one **stone** upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God.”

20:6: “But if we [chief priests, scribes and elders] say, ‘Of human origin,’ all the people will **stone** us; for they are convinced that John was a prophet.”

20:17-18: But he looked at them and said, “What then does this text mean: ‘The **stone** that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’? Everyone who falls on that **stone** will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

21:5-6: When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful **stones** and gifts dedicated to God, he said, “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one **stone** will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

22:41: Then he withdrew from them about a **stone’s** throw, knelt down, and prayed...

24:2: They found the **stone** rolled away from the tomb...