

# Royalty Part 2 - Sunday

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## **We Are a Royal Priesthood!**

### **1 Peter 2:9-10**

**1 Peter 2:9**, *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

**Luke 1:5**, *In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah... his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron.*

**John 1:29**, *The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"*

**Matthew 27:51**, *At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.*

**Hebrews 9:7**, *But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance.*

## **Benefits of Our Holy and Royal Priesthood:**

### **1. Our Sins Are Forever FORGIVEN**

**Hebrews 10:11**, *Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. 12 But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God... 14 For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.*

## **2. JESUS Is Our Great High Priest**

**Hebrews 4:14**, *Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.*

## **3. We Can Approach God in CONFIDENCE**

**Hebrews 4:16**, *Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

## **4. EVERY Believer Is a Royal Priest**

**Colossians 3:11**, *Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.*

## **5. We No Longer Need Human MEDIATORS**

**1 Timothy 2:5**, *For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus...*

**Ephesians 4:11**, *So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.*

## **6. We Are Living SACRIFICES**

**Romans 12:1**, *Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2 Do not*

*conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*