

Royalty Part 4 - Sunday

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We Are God's Special Possession!

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.*

1 Peter 1:21, *Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.*

Ephesians 1:13, *And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.*

2 Corinthians 6:16, *...For we are the temple of the living God...*

Being God's Special Possession Means...

1. God's Praise Is Our DECLARATION

Psalm 100:1, *Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. 2 Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs... 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. 5 For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.*

2. God's Mercy Is Our MOTIVATION

Psalm 103:8, *The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. 9 He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; 10 he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; 12 as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.*

Matthew 5:7, *Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*

3. Our Lives Are on Full DISPLAY

1 Peter 2:12, *Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.*

Romans 1:16, *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.*

Titus 2:11, *For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. 12 It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, 13 while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.*

John 10:10, *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*