# Your Privilege and Purpose on the Planet

Your identity in Christ part 3 1 Peter 2:9-10

Introduction

#### #1 Your PRIVILEGES 9a

9 But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION

#### 1st A chosen race

Colossians 3:12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, ...

2 Thessalonians 2:13 But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.

Isaiah 43:20-21 The beasts of the field will glorify Me, The jackals and the ostriches, Because I have given waters in the wilderness And rivers in the desert, To give drink to <u>My chosen people</u>. 21 "The <u>people whom I formed for Myself</u> Will declare My praise.

Revelation 7:9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands; 10 and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

# 2<sup>nd</sup> A royal priesthood

Exodus 19:5-6a ...if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine; and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation

## 3rd A holy nation

1 Peter 2:11 aliens and strangers

Philippians 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ

#### 4th A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION

Revelation 5:9 they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

James 2:10 For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.

Romans 3:10 "There is none righteous, not even one; 11 There is none who understands, There is none who seeks for God; 12 All have turned aside, together they have become There is none who does good, There is not even one."

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death,

2 Corinthians 5:21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

**Psalm 67:1** God be gracious to us and bless us, And cause His face to shine upon us—Selah. 2 That Your way may be known on the earth, Your salvation among all nations.

## #2 Your PURPOSE 96

9b so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Acts 26:18 to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.

GENERAL CALL Matthew 11:28 Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest

**SPECIAL CALL** Romans 8:30 ...whom He predestined, these He also called...2 Timothy 1:9 Who has saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace...

Ephesians 5:8 for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light

#### #3 Your POSITION 10

10 for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

## \* God SAVED you to <u>S</u> !

Questions for discussion and study...

1 Peter says the Church is like Israel, but does the NT teach that the Church is Israel? Look up these verses to start Isaiah 24:1ff,
Isaiah 65:17ff, Ezekiel 37:21ff, Daniel 7:13ff, Amos 9:11-15ff, Micah 7:14-20ff, Haggai 2:20-23ff, Zechariah 14:9 ff, Malachi 4:1-3ff, Revelation 20, Romans 9, 10, 11

2 Why is it so difficult for Christians to maintain of lifestyle of making the gospel known to the lost around them?

3 What keeps you from rejoicing in the wonderful privileges you have been given in Christ?

4 This week, remember how God's mercy has impacted you personally and ask others to share how His mercy impacted them!