

IDENTITY

- (1) Who are we?
- (2) what's our purpose?
- (3) Where do we get our identity from?

1-Peter 2:9-10) -

Identity

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- 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 2:9-10** (*page 1218*) - (NIV)

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1-Who Are We?

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1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)

Chosen

Royal

Holy

Special

- **You did not choose me**, but I chose **you** and appointed **you** so that **you** might go and bear fruit—fruit that will- John 15; 16
- **Priests** offer up prayer, bring sacrifices, *intercede* to God on behalf of others and stay in tune with the spiritual side of life
- **A Holy Nation, holy** –set-apart for God
- **God's special possession**

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2-What's our purpose?

- That you may **declare the praises of him** who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light? **1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)**
 - As a result, you can **show others the goodness of God**, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light **1 Peter 2:9 (NLT)**
 - So that you may proclaim the excellencies **[the wonderful deeds and virtues and perfections]** of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. **1 Peter 2:9 Amp**
- Who called you out of **darkness** into his **wonderful light**

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3-How did this new identity come about?

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1 Peter 2:10 (NIV)

God's Mercy

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Knowing
who you are
in Christ
keeps you from
letting others
define you