

FULL^{OF} HOPE, FAR^{FROM} HOME

Study in 1 Peter

Sermon Title: "Who You Are in Christ Changes Everything"

Scripture: 1 Peter 2:9-10

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Our **identity** drives our daily priorities, our conversation, and our conduct.

1. As the people of God, we are recipients of a unique & gracious **calling. (V. 9a)**

Scriptures: Deuteronomy 7:6–8; Isaiah 43:20c-21; Exodus 19:5-6

- “A chosen race (or offspring)”: We are of one spiritual **blood**.
- “A royal priesthood”: We are mediators of God’s **blessings**.
- “A holy nation”: We live under God’s **reign**.
- “People for His own possession”: We are beloved and **preserved** by God. (Romans 9:25-26)

2. As the people of God, we are called to know & proclaim the **power of God. (V. 9b)**

Scriptures: Revelation 1:5–6; Romans 1:16; Mark 8:38; Ephesians 5:8

- God’s call into the light brings us into genuine **relationship** with Him.

Scriptures: 1 John 1:5–7; Revelation 5:9–10

3. As the people of God, we intimately **know His glorious mercy. (V. 10)**

Scriptures: Hosea 1:9; 2:1, 23; Psalms 86:15

Questions to Consider:

- a. How does our identity shape how we think, talk and live?
- b. How should our identity in Christ transform our lives?
- c. What does it mean to truly know the power of God?
- d. What keeps us from proclaiming the excellencies of God?
- e. How have you experientially known God’s mercy? What difference does knowing God’s mercy make?