

You Are A Royal Priesthood

1 Peter 2:4-12

Key Verse: 2:9-10

1. Read verse 4. Who is the living Stone to whom we come? What does it mean that he was rejected by men? Chosen by God? Why is he precious to God?
2. Read verse 5. What does it mean to be a living stone? How are these "living stones" used? What is the purpose of the spiritual house? What do you think the Spiritual sacrifices are? (Heb 13:15; Ps:51:16,17) How can these sacrifices be acceptable to God?
3. Read verse 6. Compare with Isaiah 28:16. What is a cornerstone? Why do you think Jesus is called a "chosen and precious cornerstone?" Read verses 7-8. What does it mean that he was the rejected stone?(Mark 12:6-12) Stumbling stone? The capstone?
4. Read verse 9. Compare Ex 19:4-6. What does a priest do? What does it mean to be a royal priesthood? "What does holy" mean? What does it mean to be a holy nation? How can we be holy? What is the mission of a holy nation, a royal priesthood?
5. What is the privilege and glory of a chosen people? How are we different from the people of the world? (10)
6. Read verses 11-12. How can God's people glorify God? (11,12; Mt 5:14-16)