

You Are Chosen, Royal, Holy, And Special

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1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Exactly how important is Christianity in regards to our relationship with God? This scripture gives us an important part of the answer.

What does it mean to be a chosen generation? To be chosen is the idea of being selected. That is why the Church is sometimes referred to as the elect or the saved. In a few minutes I am going to buy some bananas. I will select which ones I want to take and leave the rest behind. Those who respond to the calling of God through the gospel, by obeying the gospel, are the ones God has selected to be saved. The chosen generation is set apart from the lost by their obedience to the gospel to be saved in eternity with God.

Revelation 1:6

and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

A royal priesthood is a combination of being a king, the highest position and honor in a civil government, and priest, the highest position and honor in religious matters pertaining to service to God. These were the highest honors attainable in the culture and world of ancient times. God has made us both kings who will share in Christ's reign as the king of kings, and priests who have the great honor of having access to God Almighty. Thus we are a royal priesthood.

As a holy nation we are called a nation because we are the kingdom of God with Jesus Christ as our King. We are called a holy nation because as citizens of this kingdom we are striving to separate ourselves from the conduct of the world as we live a sanctified holy life because our king whom we serve is holy. Thus we are a kingdom or nation set apart from the rest of the world to eventually be with our king forever in heaven.

Finally, we are called His own special people, indicating that we belong to God and we are special. When the last day comes and this universe is destroyed, our God will create a new heaven and a new earth. The only thing that will be carried over into the new heaven and the new earth will be the kingdom of God. That is why we are special to God. His special people the holy nation have been chosen by God to with Him forever in heaven.

So in the future when you are feeling low try to see yourself the way God sees you. You are chosen, royal, holy, and very special to Him.

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM

No Sunday PM Service

Wednesday PM Bible Study 7:00 PM

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We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during worship.



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Time Warner Cable Channel 20
Tuesday 5:30 AM
Friday 4:30 PM

Condolences Brenda Nelson's cousin, age 56, passed away recently.

Prayer List *In our prayers let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.*

Those that attend: Mildred Lynum, Bill Flanagan, Anna Brink, Frank Marsden, Bill Kinney, Pat Hazlett, David Alcorn, Darlene Reed, Butts & Edie Sumner, Chris Highway, Candi Butcher, Cheryl Mellott, Joyce Cameron, Willow McFarland, Tahlia Willis, Logan Bennett, Kyra Kyle, Bev McArthur, Maria Swindlehurst, Jean Cameron, Sonny Stine, Marvis Garrett, Brenda Nelson, and Diane Mellott.

People in other places: Renee Kinney, Tim Mellott and family, T.J., Wednesday Rahelich, Jack Openshaw, Betty Leistner, Denise Garlitz' grandchildren and her son Jeff, Mary Lou, Carol's sister Holly, Frank's niece, Tony & Eglia Grana, Susan Barrett & family, Karen Anstee, George Beckwith, Doris & Mary Jane Mess, Andrea, Red & Goldie Crow, Samantha Allee, Cheryl Wheeler, Karen & Joe Costanzo, Cindy, Levi, Jeanne Johns, Lionel & Bonnie Weir, Loretta Gorito, Kay Ables, Mary Lou, Gloria, Linda Mudd, Dorothea Johnson, Tammy, Rita D, Jenna, Billie Jo Potter, Debbie Curry, Jaye Boyle, Barry Mitchell, Martha, Andrew, Vanessa Lewis, Jurek family, Mary, daughter of Don & Virginia Hipwell in Fenwick, ONT. , Williams family, Mary, Elijah Heath, Mary, Mary Lou & Louise (Anna Brink's sisters), Jean Fitzgerald, and Penny Hayes.

Updates:

Let's pray as we continue our preacher search process.

Rodney Jones has an increased white blood cell count and is scheduled to see the doctor Feb. 07.

Marvis Garrett is now also dealing with gout.

David Alcorn has been sick recently.

Yolanda Davis' **son in law** and **daughter** are both having health issues.

Malissa Layton, Jean Cameron's cousin in GA, has been having problems with a torn retina.

Keith Marten has been dealing with some health issues recently.

Upcoming Events *(Lord willing)*

Feb. 04 Potluck Groups 1, 2, & 3 to setup and cleanup.

Feb. 14 Valentine's Day

Feb. 18 Men's Business Meeting



Read Me

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study 2 Corinthians

Sermon Topic Today: God Is Sovereign (Part 2)

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 23:1-3

No Sun. PM Bible Study

Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study 10 AM at the building.

Wed. PM Bible Study Galatians

Trays Today

Jessica Alcorn

Attention Ladies

There is a sign-up sheet posted in the back to host the Ladies Devotionals.

Farewell to the Brown Family

Bethany, her husband Tim, Brooklynn and Blake relocated last week to Parma Heights, Ohio. They will be living with Bethany's mom, Karla Hodges. We wish them all the best as they begin a new life in Ohio. Bethany's new address is posted on the back bulletin board.

There is a book being passed around for the congregation to sign and pass along farewell messages. We will send the book to them after everyone has had a chance to sign it.

STONE SOUP PARTY – FEBRUARY 17th, 4:30PM

Everyone is invited to join us for an evening of fun and fellowship on Saturday, February 17th at 4:30PM here at the church building. We'll be making a pot of "STONE" soup, playing some games and then sharing a simple meal of "Stone" soup together. You are asked to bring **ONE VEGETABLE** item to add to our soup pot (i.e. one potato, one carrot, one small can of beans, one stalk of celery, one onion, etc.). We will put the soup together, play some games and fellowship while it's cooking. There is a list posted on the back bulletin board of others items to bring for the meal. We hope you'll join us for a fun night. See Audrey if you have any questions about the event.

Please see the card from Lionel & Bonnie Weir posted last Sunday on the Message Board.

February Birthdays

10 Louella Hopkins
17 Kris Kinney
18 Diane Mellott
26 Kelly Henry

February Anniversaries

13 Bethany Brown
23 Bill & Kris Kinney



Please check the
"Love One Another" and "Answered Prayers"
boards in the back of the auditorium.

Thank You

A heartfelt thanks to Louella Hopkins and Carol Jones for taking all of handmade and donated items in the back of the auditorium to the Veterans Administration last week. Thank you Sisters!