

“If you can't fly, then run,
if you can't run, then walk,
if you can't walk, then crawl,
but whatever you do,
you have to keep moving forward.

— Martin Luther King Jr.



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40 YEARS STRONG
A LOOK TOWARD THE FUTURE

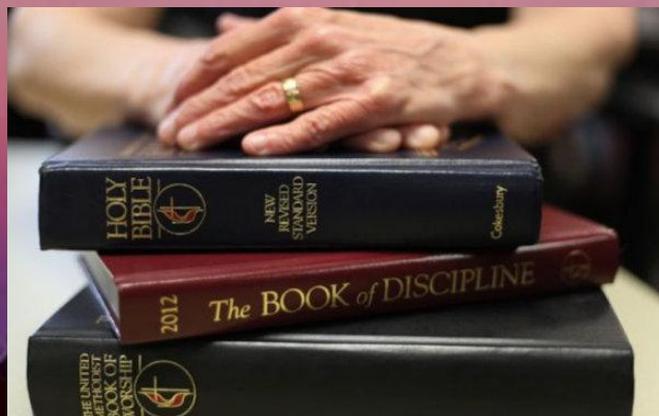
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CELEBRATION WEEK

JANUARY 11-17, 2022





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..... *your* GIFT TODAY

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"I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well."

—PSALM 139:14, NRSV



Honor multi.contextual demensions of life!

1. *You, the Strangers in the World - Jan. 2*
2. *Born Again Holy - Jan. 9*
3. *Called by the Living Stone - Jan. 16*
4. *Suffering for Doing Good - Jan. 23*
5. *Escape from the Corruption - Jan. 30*
6. *Remember the Words of the Holy Prophets - Feb. 6*
7. *Grow in the Grace of our Lord - Feb. 13*

**COME TO ME,
ALL YOU WHO LABOR
AND ARE HEAVY LADEN,
AND I WILL
GIVE YOU REST.**

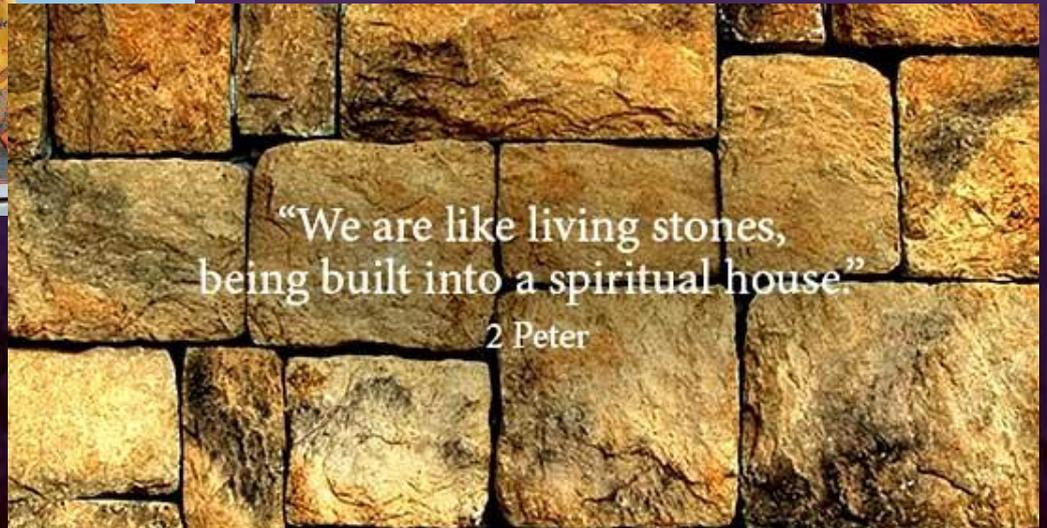
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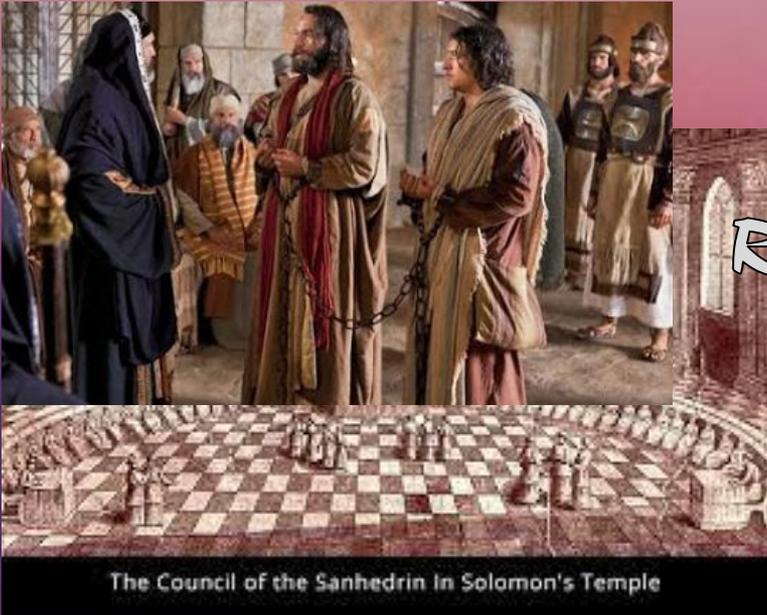
1 Peter 2:4-12

Different People, Different Church

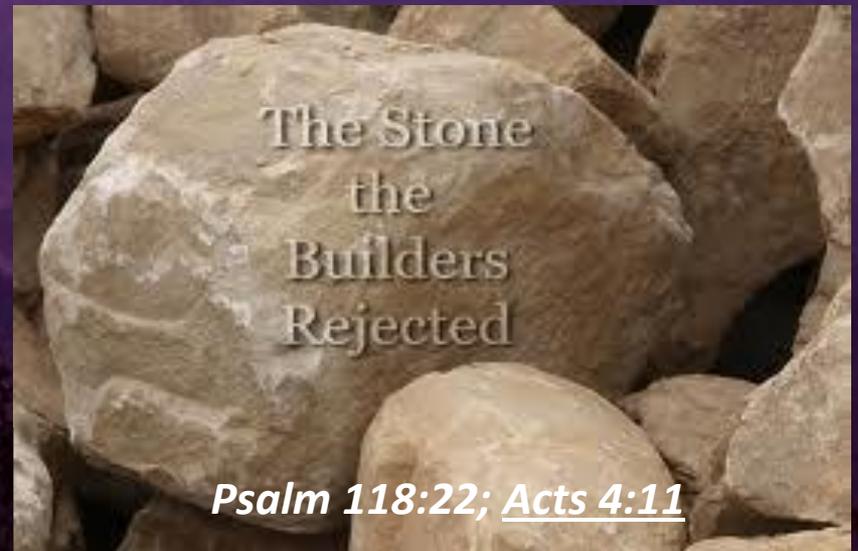


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Rejected by Man, Chosen by God



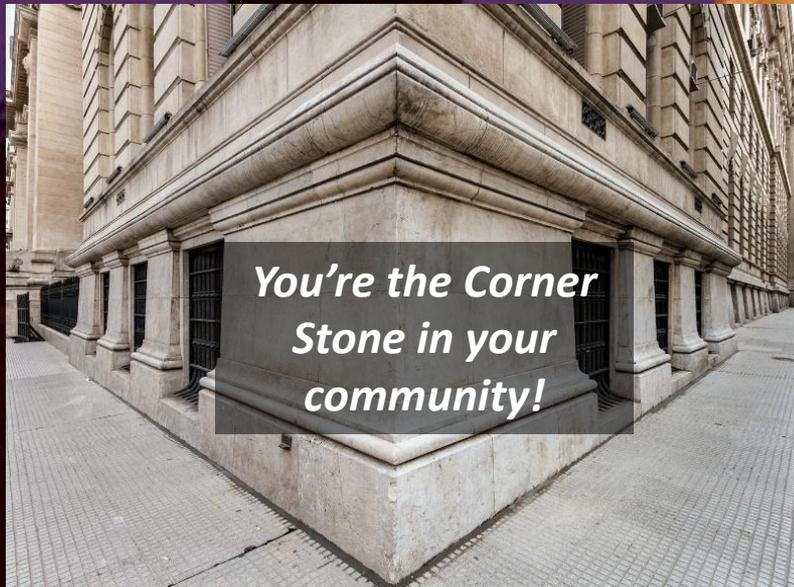
*“10 Great Ideas that Were Originally Rejected,” Yahoo Financial
By Gijs van Wulfen (October 31, 2016)*



Psalm 118:22; Acts 4:11

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You're Are a Chosen Cornerstone!



*You're the Corner
Stone in your
community!*

therefore He is precious to those who believe, but to those who do not believe,

“ THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED BECAME THE VERY CORNER STONE ”

1 Peter 2:7

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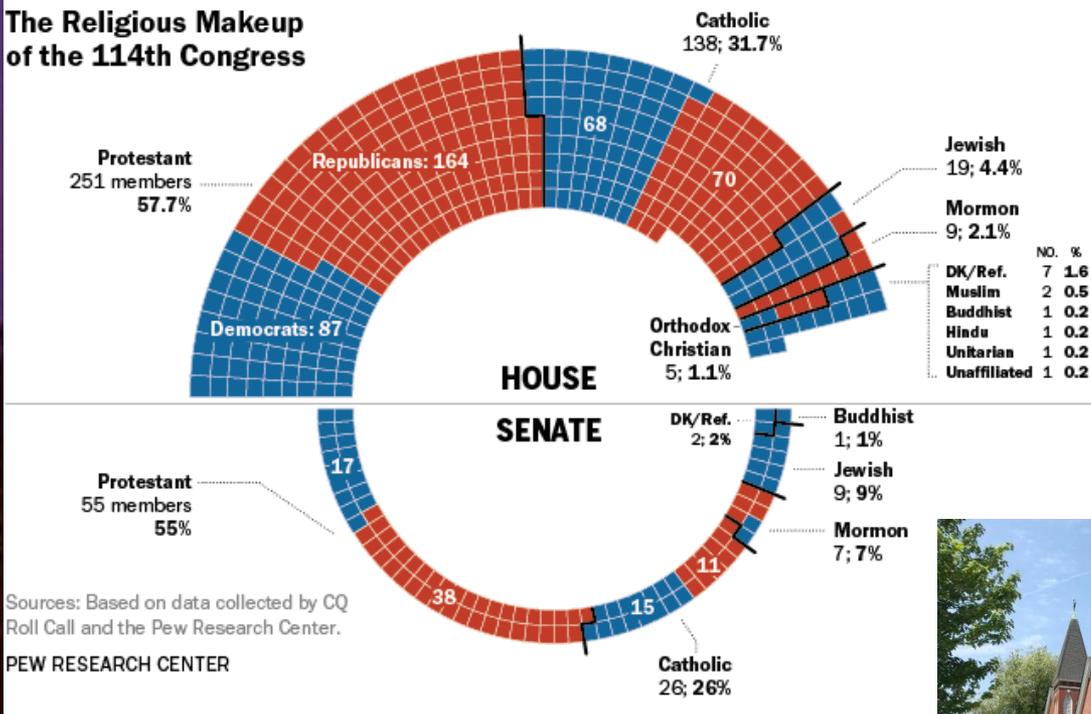
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New Christology for New Ecclesiology



The Religious Makeup of the 114th Congress



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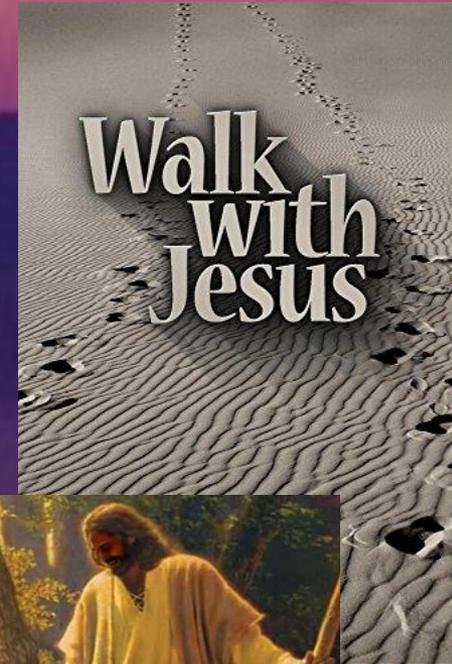


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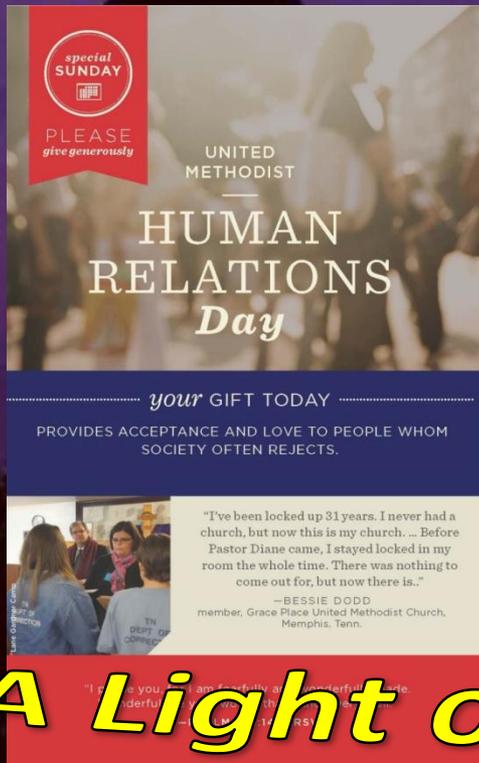


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A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD,
A HOLY NATION,
GOD'S SPECIAL POSSESSION,
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1 PETER 2 : 9

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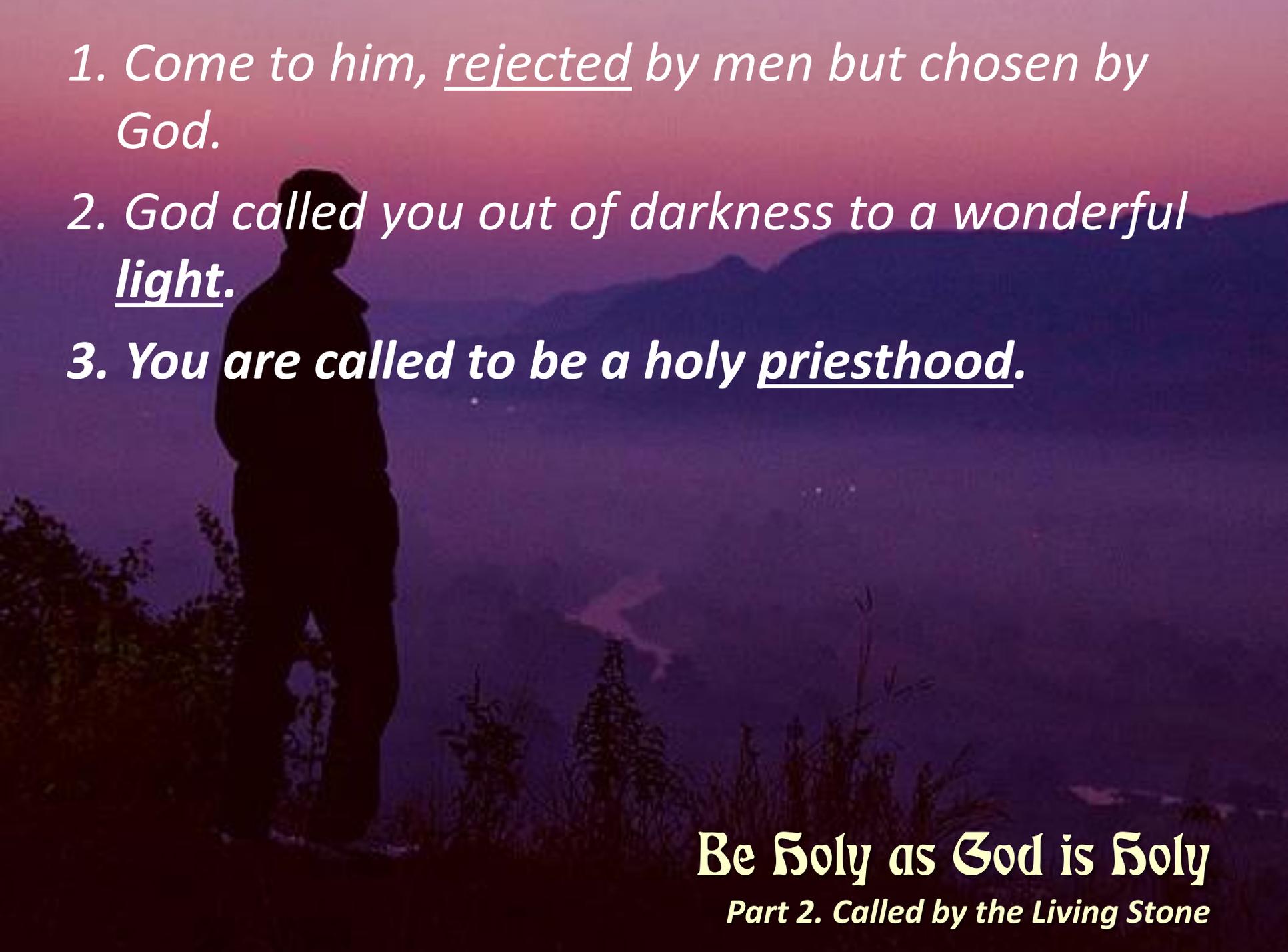
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LET THIS BE OUR PRAYER AND CONGRESS' ACTION
PROTECT DREAMERS



A Light on Capital Heights

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Simon Peter answered,
“You are the Messiah,
the Son of the living
God.” Jesus replied,
“Blessed are you, Simon
son of Jonah, for this
was not revealed to
you by flesh and blood,
but by my Father in
heaven.”

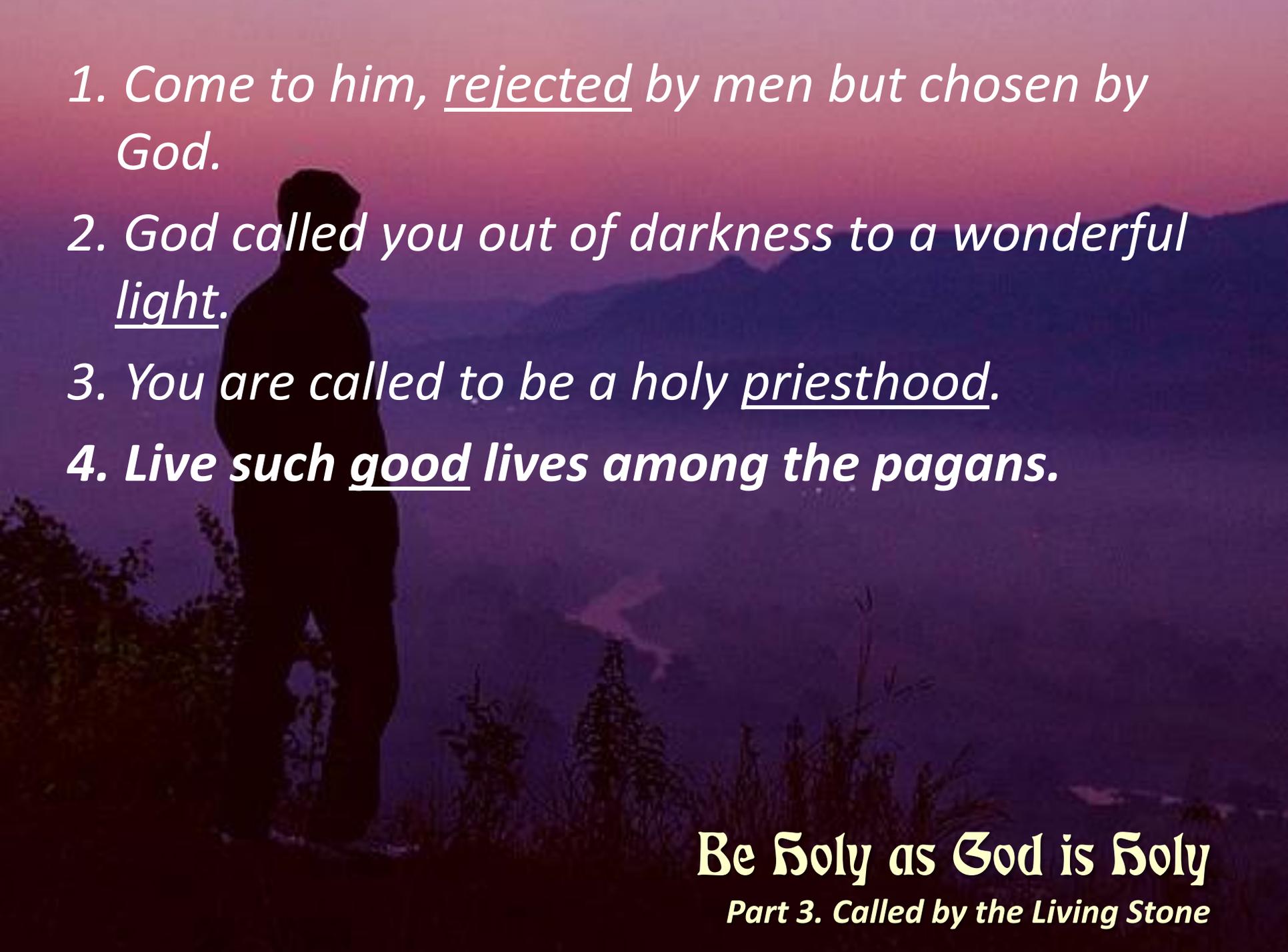
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1 PETER 2:12

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3 Simple Rules

1. DO NO HARM
2. DO GOOD
3. STAY IN LOVE WITH GOD



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