



## "A Royal Priesthood" (Part 6)

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*1 Peter 2:9a*



**4** And coming to Him as the Living Stone, having been rejected by men—but chosen by God and precious [to Him]. **5** You also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. **6** For it is contained in Scripture: BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOSEN STONE, A PRECIOUS CORNERSTONE; AND THE ONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NEVER BE PUT TO SHAME. **7** This honor, therefore, is for you who believe. But for those who disbelieve: THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER. **8** And: A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE. They stumble because they

are disobedient to the word, unto which [ends] they were appointed. **9** But you are AN ELECT RACE, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR [GOD'S OWN] POSSESSION so that you might proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. **10** Once you were not a people, but now [you are the] people of God; [once you were] those who had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

– 1 Peter 2:4-10, As translated from the Greek New Testament by T. Bartolucci.

### Introduction

#### I. The Church as a Royal Priesthood ( 2:4-10)

A. **Established** in the Living Stone (4) *This is the Source of our Priesthood*

B. **Erected** as a Spiritual Temple (5) *This is the Structure of our Priesthood*

C. **Elected** as the People of God (vv. 6-10) *This is the Security of our Priesthood*

1. The Cornerstone of Our Belief (6a)
2. The Confidence of Our Belief (6b)
3. The Contrast of Unbelief (7-8a)
4. The Cause of Unbelief (8b)

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5. The C\_\_\_\_\_ of God's People (9a)

\* This point stands in contrast to vv. 7 & 8

\* Psalm 103:1-14

\* "But you are . . ." Do you know who you are?

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| <p>1) AN ELECT RACE, - ISA 43<br/>2) A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, - EXO 19<br/>3) A HOLY NATION, - EXO 19<br/>4) A PEOPLE FOR [GOD'S OWN] POSSESSION ISA 43</p> |
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a. An \_\_\_\_\_ Race

(1) *Eklektos* (elect or chosen) and *Genos* (race or family)

(2) Two things that flow out of this single description . . . .

(a) The living stones, the members of the church, are \_\_\_\_\_ by God

i. An understanding of this should illicit in us two things:

(i) Our \_\_\_\_\_ should be checked

(ii) Our God should be \_\_\_\_\_

(b) We are chosen to be a race or family

b. A R\_\_\_\_\_ Priesthood

**Conclusion**