

I PETER
HOLY AND
HOPE-FILLED LIVING
IN A HOSTILE WORLD

I Peter 2:4-10

And coming to Him as to a living stone
which has been rejected by men,
but is choice and precious
in the sight of God,
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.

For *this* is contained in Scripture:

"BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOICE STONE,
A PRECIOUS CORNER *stone*,
AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM
WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED."

This precious value, then,
is for you who believe;
but for those who disbelieve, "THE STONE
WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED,
THIS BECAME THE VERY CORNER *stone*,"
and, "A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A
ROCK OF OFFENSE";

for they stumble because
they are disobedient to the word,
and to this *doom*
they were also appointed.

But you are A CHOSEN RACE,
A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION,
A PEOPLE FOR *God's* OWN POSSESSION,

so that you may proclaim
the excellencies
of Him who has called you
out of darkness
into His marvelous light;

for you once were NOT A PEOPLE,
but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD;
you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY,
but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.

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WORSHIP!

**Holy and Hope-Filled
Worship!**

WORSHIP is a reverent act of acknowledgment to God of His nature, attributes, and deeds, whether through verbal or mental praise and thanksgiving, or through actions done in such acknowledgment.

Three Prerequisites for True Worship of God

The God We Worship...

The People Who Worship God...

The People Who Worship God...

- ✓ Those who come to Him, 2:4.
- ✓ Living stones that God is building into a spiritual House, 2:5.
- ✓ A Holy Priesthood, 2:5.

The Priesthood involves...

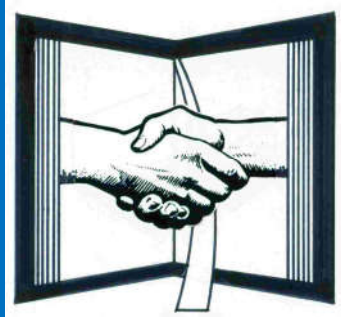
- The Proper Birth!
- The Prerequisite Qualification: Holiness!
- The Privilege of Access!
- The Privilege of Intercession!
- The Privilege of Service!

The People Who Worship God...

- ✓ Those who come to Him, 2:4.
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- ✓ A Holy Priesthood, 2:5.
- ✓ A Royal Priesthood, 2:9.
- ✓ A Chosen Race, 2:9

The People Who Worship God...

- ✓ A Holy Nation, 2:9.
- ✓ A People For God's Own Possession, 2:9.
- ✓ THE People of God, 2:10.
- ✓ Those Who Have Received Mercy, 2:10.



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