

## PURE TRUTH: A Sermon Series on the Letters of Peter



# A CHOSEN PEOPLE

1 Peter 2:9

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1 Peter 2:1-25

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# 1. The **PEOPLE** of God

Living Stones &  
a Royal Priesthood

*(1 Peter 2:1-10;  
Psalm 118:22; Isaiah 8:14; 28:16)*

## 1. THE PEOPLE OF GOD

1 PETER 2:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice & all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, & slander of every kind. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, <sup>3</sup> now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup> **As you come to Him, the living Stone**--rejected by humans but chosen by God & precious to Him--<sup>5</sup>**you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices** acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For in Scripture it says: *"See, I lay a Stone in Zion, a chosen & precious Cornerstone, & the one who trusts in Him will never be put to shame" [Is 28:16].*

## 1. THE PEOPLE OF GOD

1 PETER 2:1-10

<sup>7</sup> Now to you who believe, this Stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, *"The Stone the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone" [Ps 118:22],* <sup>8</sup> and, *"A Stone that causes people to stumble & a Rock that makes them fall" [Is 8:14].* They stumble because they disobey the message--which is also what they were destined for. <sup>9</sup> **But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may PROCLAIM the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.** <sup>10</sup> **Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.**

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## 2. The **SERVANTS** of God

The Proclamation of  
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*(1 Peter 2:11-20)*

## 2. THE SERVANTS OF GOD

1 PETER 2:11-20

<sup>11</sup> Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners & exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. <sup>12</sup> **Live such good lives** among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, **they may see your good deeds & glorify God** on the day He visits us. <sup>13</sup> **Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human authority:** whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, <sup>14</sup> or to governors, who are sent by Him to punish those who do wrong & to commend those who do right. <sup>15</sup> For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people. <sup>16</sup> **Live as free people, but do not use your freedom**



## 2. THE SERVANTS OF GOD

1 PETER 2:11-20

as a cover-up for evil; **live as God's slaves.** <sup>17</sup> Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor. <sup>18</sup> Slaves, in reverent fear of God submit yourselves to your masters, not only to those who are good & considerate, but also to those who are harsh. <sup>19</sup> **For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God.** <sup>20</sup> But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But **if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.**



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# 3. The **FLOCK** of God

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Suffering Servant

*(1 Peter 2:21-25;  
Isaiah 53:4-9)*

### 3. THE FLOCK OF GOD

1 PETER 2:21-25

<sup>21</sup> To this you were called, because **Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps.** <sup>22</sup> *"He committed no sin, & no deceit was found in His mouth" [ISAIAH 53:9].*

<sup>23</sup> When they hurled their insults at Him, He did not retaliate; when He suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted Himself to Him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup> *"He Himself bore our sins"\** in His body on the Cross, so that we might die to sins & live for righteousness; *"by His wounds you have been healed."*<sup>\*</sup> <sup>25</sup> **For "you were like sheep going astray,"\*** but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. *\*[Is 53:4, 5, 6 (LXX)]*

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**1. THE PEOPLE OF GOD... (vv.1-10)**

...are built up *by* Him as we give ourselves *to* Him.

**2. THE SERVANTS OF GOD... (vv.11-20)**

...proclaim God's goodness as we live in His holiness.

**3. THE FLOCK OF GOD... (vv.21-25)**

...once went astray but now follows the Good Shepherd.