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Becoming ROCK

WHAT GOD
THINKS OF YOU

Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. 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. Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul.

1 Peter 2:1-11

1. LIVING STONES IN A SPIRITUAL HOUSE.

1 Peter 2:4-8

2. WE ARE PRIESTS IN THE SAME TEMPLE

1 Peter 2:5

3. WE ARE A CHOSEN RACE

1 Peter 2:9-10

4. WE ARE A HOLY NATION

5. WE ARE GODS OWN POSSESSION

1 Peter 2:9

6. WE ARE RECEIVERS OF MERCY

1 Peter 2:10

Next Step...

- ☐ I want to receive the mercy of God today by trusting in Jesus as my Savior.
- ☐ I want to proclaim the excellences of Him, who has called me, by being baptized ASAP.
- ☐ Pray I will think of myself as God does.