

WHO YOU REALLY ARE-PART-3

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1Peter 2:9-11

9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

10 *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.

11 Dear friends, I urge you, as *foreigners and exiles*, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.

Passion – 10 For at one time you were not God's people, but now you are. At one time you knew nothing of God's mercy, because you hadn't received it yet, but now you are drenched with it! Living Godly Lives...

11 My divinely loved friends, since you are resident aliens and foreigners in this world, I appeal to you to divorce yourselves from the evil desires that wage war within you.

1. WE ARE THE ADOPTED PEOPLE OF GOD.

Romans 11:17-Passion

...And you, who were once nothing more than a wild olive branch in the desert, God has grafted in— inserting you among the remaining branches as a joint partner to share in the wonderful richness of the cultivated olive stem.

Galations 4:5-6-Passion

5 Yet all of this was so that he would redeem and set free all those held hostage to the written Law so that we would receive our freedom and a full legal adoption as his children.

6 And so that we would know for sure that we are his true children, God released the Spirit of Sonship into our hearts—hearts— moving us to cry out intimately, *"My Father! You're our true Father!"*

2. WE ARE TEMPORARY RESIDENTS JUST PASSING THROUGH.

Verse 11 - Dear friends, I urge you, as *foreigners and exiles*, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.

CJB - Dear friends, I urge you as *aliens and temporary residents* not to give in to the desires of your old nature, which keep warring against you;

1John 2:15-17-Passion

15 Don't set the affections of your heart on this world or in loving the things of the world. The love of the Father and the love of the world are incompatible.

16 For all that the world can offer us—the gratification of our flesh, the allurements of the things of the world, and the obsession with status and importance— none of these things comes from the Father but from the world.

17 This world and its desires are in the process of passing away, but those who love to do the will of God live forever.

3. WE ARE LIGHTS IN THE DARK WORLD.

Verse 9....that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Colossians 1:12-13-NLT

...always thanking the Father. He has enabled you to share in the inheritance that belongs to His people, who live in the light.

13 For He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of His dear Son,...

Matthew 5:14-16-Passion

14 Your lives light up the world. Let others see your light from a distance, for how can you hide a city that stands on a hilltop?

15 And who would light a lamp and then hide it in an obscure place? Instead, it's placed where everyone in the house can benefit from its light.

16 So don't hide your light! Let it shine brightly before others, so that the commendable things you do will shine as light upon them, and then they will give their praise to your Father in heaven.