

## God's People

1 Peter 2:9-10

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of Our Identity (v. 9a)

- a. A \_\_\_\_\_ Race
- b. A \_\_\_\_\_ Priesthood
- c. A \_\_\_\_\_ Nation
- d. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ People

2. \_\_\_\_\_ of Our Identity (v. 9b)

- a. A \_\_\_\_\_ purpose
- b. A \_\_\_\_\_ purpose
- c. A \_\_\_\_\_ purpose

3. \_\_\_\_\_ of Our Identity (v. 9c-10)

- a. Out of \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Into \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Not having been shown \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Now shown \_\_\_\_\_

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“Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” (Exodus 19:5-6a)

“But now thus say the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: ‘Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine...’

“... the people I whom I have formed for myself that they might declare my praise. (Isaiah 43:1,21)

## For Further Study

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There are some believers who do not like the church to be compared to Old Testament Israel. There are some believers who do not like what they call “replacement” theology; the concept that the church has replaced Israel as the people of God.

Read Exodus 19:1-6. In what ways did the LORD describe the people of Israel as they approached His presence at Sinai?

Read again 1 Peter 2:9-10. In what ways does the Holy Spirit inspire Peter to describe the people of God?

Read Isaiah 43:21. Why did God form Israel? How does this compare to the purpose of the formation of the church in v. 10?

Read Hosea 1. How does Peter apply this prophecy which apparently, in context would be taken to mean the people of Israel, to the church? Does the New Testament teach “replacement theology?”

Consider the titles given the church in verse 9. What do each of them indicate the church is to be or to do? How does this fit into the purpose statement in the middle of the verse?

Read v. 10. Should the church (believers) have pride in their status? Why or why not? Should this teaching inspire confidence in them? In something or someone else?

How are you fulfilling the purpose of your identity as a believer?