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The People of God 1 Peter 2:1-12

I. Relationship to each other

II. Relationship to Christ

III. Relationship to the world

SUGGESTED DISCUSSION POINTS FROM OCTOBER 6, 2019 SERMON

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Which of these sins do you need to "put aside"? (1 Peter 2:1)

The church is to be a place where people are shaped by the Word of God and not the world. Has that been your experience?

How would you describe your current craving of the Word of God?

In what ways does the body of believers function as a spiritual house?

What are the privileges and responsibilities of believer priests?

What spiritual sacrifices can believers offer to God?

Like Christ, what kinds of rejection have you faced as a "living stone"?

Why do God's people exist? (see verse 9)

How can you "proclaim the excellencies of God" in the Village?

Have you ever given up a behavior, pastime, or preference because it could send the wrong message to an unbeliever?

Give an example of how your neighborhood and family observe your good behavior? (verse 12)

Do you suffer from Individualitis? Discuss.

- 1. You think, "I have a destiny," rather than "We have a destiny."
- 2. You read the Bible and think, "This is for me," rather than "This for us."
- 3. You view the church as optional and not essential.
- 4. If you think, "I have this gift, how will the church use it" rather than "The church has this need, how can I serve it."
- 5. The gospel is just for you and never in terms of a people, Israel or the Church.
- 6. Evangelism is just you alone rather than with the whole church.
- 7. Culture change happens as great men rise up and change history rather than complex networks of people bringing about change.