

SERIES: POSITIVE ID – A Better Understanding Of Self

“Who Am I?”

1 Peter 2:9-12

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I. THE CLUTTER OF IDENTITY CONFUSION

A. Dissatisfaction With ME

B. EXTERNAL VOICES That Shape Identity

II. WHO I AM IS NO SECRET

A. I Am CHOSEN

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a chosen race...”

Ephesians 1:4 “even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love”

B. I Am A ROYAL PRIEST

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a royal priesthood...”

1 Peter 2:5 “you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices”

Colossians 3:23 “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,”

C. I Am GOD’S POSSESSION

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a people for his own possession...”

Ephesians 1:5 “he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,”

Romans 14:8 “For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s.”

III. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITY OF FAMILY

A. Don’t Be Ashamed Of Your NAME

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a holy nation... that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

1 Peter 2:10 “Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people”

B. Represent THE FAMILY Well

1 Peter 2:11–12 “abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable”

THE NEXT FAITHFUL STEP

1. Meaning of Names: Discuss with your family and friends this week what your name means. How and why where you given your name?

2. I Know Who I Am. Are you confused about who you are? Do you feel like you are a part of God’s family? Do you feel the privilege and responsibility of being chosen by God? Take time this week to embrace the identity you have In Jesus Christ. Invite Jesus to come into your life, lead it, guide it, and empower it for living boldly to represent Christianity well.