1 Peter 2:9-12

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

Main idea:

We live on a mission because of who we are and what that implies

Who are we? What does that imply?

- Chosen race
- Royal priesthood
- Holy nation
- God's possession
- Sojourners and exiles
- Heralds

Because of who we are and what that implies; we live on a mission **Our mission is to bring glory to God in the greatest way possible.**

What does this mission entail? How do we pursue this mission intentionally?

Choose Joy

John 15:8-11 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

- Live righteously
- Wage spiritual warfare
- Be honorable
- Endure slander
- Be an example
- Point people toward Jesus

The effectiveness of your discipleship hinges on the life you live. Everyday. All-day.

Benediction

Psalm 33:11-12

The counsel of the Lord stands forever,

the plans of his heart to all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!