



One 2021: wk 3 His Holy People

Introduction: There are qualities that each of us receive handed down to us from our families. Some of those are good, some bad, many neutral. Even with things that are handed down, we often have a choice in whether to follow in those footsteps or take another path. As exiles, who have both a sin nature handed down to us and been adopted into God's family through Jesus, we get to choose which identity we build our lives on.

Discussion Questions

1. Does your family have regular family reunions? If you are gathered at a reunion, can you identify some commonalities besides just being related?
2. When you hear the word "holy" what do you think of? What is a good definition for "holy" or "holiness?"
3. **Read 1 Peter 1:13-16** What does it mean to be holy as I am holy? Is holiness gained or attributed to you? What does he mean he says not to conform to the passions of your former ignorance?
4. **Read 1 Peter 2:1-3** He tells us to crave pure spiritual milk. What is that? What would it be like to crave it? How does it lead to maturity? What practices have helped you when it comes to reading/knowing scripture?
5. **Read 1 Peter 2:4-11** He talks about being built into a living spiritual house. Compare that to physical man-made temple? In the OT the priests had to be Levites. Peter says we are a royal priesthood. How might the "church" experience be different if we believed in the priesthood of all believers?
6. When we talk about Jesus being the capstone or cornerstone, we are talking about what we build our lives upon. In what ways are you building your life upon Jesus? Where are you tempted to ignore that cornerstone and do your own thing?

Shaping Your Mind – *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. . 1 Peter 2:9*

Moving Forward – The question that we have to answer daily is, "What do we do with Jesus?" Do we build on his foundation or do our own thing?