

Creating A Positive ID

My True Identity

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You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10 NIV

God's View Of Me: In Christ...

1. I am completely <u>accepted</u>

You have been chosen by God himself. **1 Peter 2:9b TLB**

Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. He made us acceptable to God and gave us the hope of eternal life. **Titus 3:7 CEV**

2. I am extremely valuable

You are...a holy nation. 1 Peter 2:9a NIV

You have been bought and paid for by Christ, so you belong to him.

1 Corinthians 7:23a TLB

3. I am eternally loved

Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God. **1 Peter 2:10a NIV**

[God] "I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself." Jeremiah 31:3b NLT

4. I am totally <u>forgiven</u>

At one time you did not know God's mercy, but now you have received his mercy. **1 Peter 2:10b GNT**

[God] "I am the God who forgives your sins, and I do this because of who I am. I will not hold your sins against you." **Isaiah 43:25 GNT**

5. I am fully <u>capable</u>

You were chosen to tell about the wonderful acts of God, who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. **1 Peter 2:9b NCV**

The capacity we have comes from God; it is he who made us capable of serving the new covenant. **2 Corinthians 3:5b-6a GNT**