

***Possessing the Territory  
Knowing Your Identity  
1 Peter 2:9-10***

Today we are beginning a new series I've titled,  
"Possessing the Territory"

The victory of Jesus on the Cross and carrying forward  
through the Resurrection shifted the trajectory of  
mankind...

Where we were once left to our own devices in attempts to  
make life work as best as we could...

Now we have a victorious King leading the charge against  
the forces of Satan for the souls of mankind

As believers, we have not only been delivered from sin and  
Satan's kingdom of darkness, but we have been transferred  
into the victory of Jesus!

As such, we must follow His lead in advancing His  
victory...

***So why do we find so many Christians cowering in  
corners and sitting on the sidelines?***

I believe...

- ***Most believers DESIRE to walk in the victory of  
Jesus***
- ***Most believers ATTEMPT to walk in the victory of  
Jesus***

- ***Most believers FAIL to walk in the victory of  
Jesus***

Why is this?

***I believe it is because we don't know the truth of  
our IDENTITY, the magnitude of our AUTHORITY,  
and the importance of our RESPONSIBILITY...***

During this series we are going to be unlocking these three  
components in order to move from FAILURE into VICTORY!

***ONE THING***

***Jesus is RELEASING the VICTORY He won on the  
Cross through His BODY, the Church as HE  
advances HIS Kingdom here on EARTH.***

Jesus told us to pray...

Matthew 6:9–10 (ESV) — Pray then like this: "Our Father in  
heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your  
will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

1 Peter 2:9–10 (ESV) — 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. Once you  
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**John 1:12–13 (ESV) — But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.**

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV) — Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.**

**1 Corinthians 6:19b–20 (ESV) — ... You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.**

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### **We are a CHOSEN RACE...**

**Because of God’s GRACE, followers of Jesus are one RACE!**

**Galatians 3:28 (ESV) — There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.**

**Colossians 3:11 (ESV) — Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.**

### **We are a ROYAL PRIESTHOOD...**

**1 Peter 2:5 (ESV) — You yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.**

**This language was actually spoken by the Lord to Moses regarding the Israelite nation...**

**Exodus 19:6 (ESV) — And you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”**

**We are not simply priest, but a ROYAL PRIESTHOOD!**

→ **Psalm 110 – A Psalm by King David**

- Psalm 110 only contains 7 verses ...
- Yet this Psalm is the MOST QUOTED Psalm in the New Testament
- Psalm 110:1 is the most quoted Old Testament verse in the New Testament
- This Psalm is foundational in understanding the reality of Jesus being the Messiah...

When referring to the Messiah, King David writes...

Psalm 110:4 (ESV) — The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind, “You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”

We find Melchizedek in Genesis 14:17-20...

We won't go into details about the historical figure, Melchizedek, but he was BOTH a KING and a PRIEST...

Hebrews 7:1–2 (ESV) — For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, ... is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace.

As King, Jesus makes us royalty...

As the Great High Priest of God, we become His Priesthood!

**We are a HOLY NATION...**

We have another home!

**THIS IS NOT OUR HOME!**

1 Peter 2:11 (ESV) — Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

These words, (sojourners and exiles) declare that, as believers, we are foreign citizens, resident aliens, temporary residents in this world...

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We live in a **FALLEN WORLD!**

This world is **LITERALLY FALLEN...**

Romans 8:20–21 (ESV) — For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its

**bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.**

**This world is SPIRITUALLY FALLEN...**

**1 John 3:8 (ESV) — Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.**

**When a person comes to Christ listen to what happens...**

**Colossians 1:13–14 (ESV) — He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**

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**Ephesians 2:10 (ESV) — For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

**→ SIGNUP FOR PRAYING THROUGH THE BIBLE**

**→ Journal Entry this morning**

**"If the godly give in to the wicked, it's like polluting a fountain or muddying a spring."  
Proverbs 25:26 NLT  
Father, you are right! We have given in to the wicked too much in this nation! They have polluted the fountain and muddied the water too much! May the fresh springs of living water flood this nation with righteousness and peace!**

**Beginning Sunday, November 1 @ 6:00 AM**

**... and going through Tuesday, November 3 @ 7:00 PM  
(Close of Election here)**

**I am needing 365 people to sign up to join together in what we are calling, "Praying through the Bible"**

**Sign up for a time slot...**

**Arrive at the Church 10 minutes before you time**

**Enter the Worship Center and read the day's reading out loud**

October 18, 2020

Crossgates – AM Sermon

David Jett

***We will also have prayer focuses for you to stay an additional 15-20 minutes to pray for our nation!***

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