

Sermon Notes

May 12, 2019 - 1 Peter 2:4-10

The Mission of God's People 3: Representing God to the World

Summary: Sometimes we experience public rejection and humiliation in our personal social space, and the results can be devastating. Through His death and resurrection, Jesus experienced ultimate rejection so He could be the Cornerstone of our unconditional acceptance. Accepted and forgiven, we serve as God's royal priests who share His love with a broken and hurting world.

Intro: Teenagers goofing around

- A. The _____ of growing up in a time with cell phones & social media
- B. The heart issue of rejection: we no longer feel _____ & our identity is shaken to the core.
- C. Jesus gives us inner resiliency that helps us to reject the _____ of our condemners

I. The Rejected Ones

- A. Intro to the reading
 - 1. Written by _____
 - 2. Written to people in _____ Minor
 - 3. Christians were a _____ minority
- B. The reading (1 Peter 2:4-10)

II. The New Temple & New Priests

- A. Background: Old Temples & Old _____
- B. The Rejected _____
- C. Jesus' Rejection is the _____ of Our Unconditional Acceptance
 - 1. Jesus paid the full cost of our _____
 - 2. Jesus brought us into the family of God & made us His beloved _____
 - 3. Jesus is the stone
 - a. that was rejected by humanity on the _____
 - b. but is now the cornerstone of all _____
 - c. Everything that is good, beautiful & true lines up with _____
 - d. Jesus is going to come back to this world to make us & all things _____ (Rev. 21:4)

III. The Invitation

- A. Jesus is inviting you to let Him be the _____ of your life
 - 1. So He can pour more of His goodness, beauty & _____ into your life
 - 2. So He can bear the _____ of all your burdens in life

B. It does not matter what other people

_____ of you

1. Because Jesus has given you a new
_____ as a beloved, forgiven child
of God.
2. Because Jesus is building you & other
Christians into a new Temple & now you
_____ the presence of God with
you wherever you go
3. Because Jesus has made you into a holy
_____ that serves as an
intermediary between God and the people who
do not yet know Him.

Conclusion:

- A. Words that _____
- B. A Deeper Love that _____
- C. Encouragement for today: to _____ in
the love of Jesus
- D. Application: How does this message apply to your
life?
