

But You (part 2)

1 Peter 2:9-10

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Introduction:

Read: Revelation 5

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Deuteronomy 7:6-9

⁶ For you are a holy people belonging to the LORD your God.
The LORD your God has chosen you to be His own possession out
of all the peoples on the face of the earth.

⁷ "The LORD was devoted to you and chose you, not because you
were more numerous than all peoples, for you were the fewest of
all peoples. ⁸ But because the LORD loved you and kept the oath
He swore to your fathers, He brought you out with a strong hand
and redeemed you from the place of slavery, from the power of
Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹ Know that Yahweh your God is God, the
faithful God who keeps His gracious covenant loyalty for a
thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His
commands.

Read: Ezekiel 16

Ezekiel 16:1-14

16 The word of the LORD came to me again: ² "Son of man, explain Jerusalem's detestable practices to her. ³ You are to say: This is what the Lord GOD says to Jerusalem: Your origin and your birth were in the land of the Canaanites. Your father was an Amorite and your mother a Hittite. ⁴ As for your birth, your umbilical cord wasn't cut on the day you were born, and you weren't washed clean^[a] with water. You were not rubbed with salt or wrapped in cloths. ⁵ No one cared enough about you to do even one of these things out of compassion for you. But you were thrown out into the open field because you were despised on the day you were born.

⁶ "I passed by you and saw you lying in your blood, and I said to you as you lay in your blood: Live! Yes, I said to you as you lay in your blood: Live!^[b] ⁷ I made you thrive^[c] like plants of the field. You grew up and matured and became very beautiful.^[d] Your breasts were formed and your hair grew, but you were stark naked.

⁸ "Then I passed by you and saw you, and you were indeed at the age for love. So I spread the edge of My garment over you and covered your nakedness. I pledged Myself to you, entered into a covenant with you, and you became Mine." This is the declaration of the Lord GOD. ⁹ "I washed you with water, rinsed off your blood, and anointed you with oil. ¹⁰ I clothed you in embroidered cloth and provided you with leather sandals. I also wrapped you in fine

linen and covered you with silk. ¹¹ I adorned you with jewelry, putting bracelets on your wrists and a chain around your neck. ¹² I put a ring in your nose, earrings on your ears, and a beautiful tiara on your head. ¹³ So you were adorned with gold and silver, and your clothing was made of fine linen, silk, and embroidered cloth. You ate fine flour, honey, and oil. You became extremely beautiful and attained royalty. ¹⁴ Your fame spread among the nations because of your beauty, for it was perfect through My splendor, which I had bestowed on you.” This is the declaration of the Lord GOD.

We are the Chosen

John 15:16

¹⁶ You did not choose Me, **but I chose you**. I appointed you that you should go out and produce fruit and that your fruit should remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He will give you

Ephesians 1:3-5

³ Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens. ⁴ **For He chose us in Him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless in His sight.**^[a] In love^[b] ⁵ He predestined us to be adopted through Jesus Christ for Himself, according to His favor and will,

2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

¹³ But we must always thank God for you, brothers loved by the Lord, because from the beginning^[a] **God has chosen you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth.** ¹⁴ He called you to this through our gospel, so that you might obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Exodus 19:3-6

³ Moses went up the mountain to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain: "This is what you must say to the house of Jacob, and explain to the Israelites: ⁴ 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to Me. ⁵ Now if you will listen to Me and carefully keep My covenant, you will be My own possession out of all the peoples, although all the earth is Mine, ⁶ and you will be My kingdom of priests and My holy nation.' These are the words that you are to say to the Israelites."

Our Calling Before Sin

Genesis 1:26-31

²⁶ Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness. They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, all the earth,^[a] and the creatures that crawl^[b] on the earth."

²⁷ So God created man in His own image;
He created him in the image of God;
He created them male and female.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth, and subdue it. Rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and every creature that crawls^[c] on the earth." ²⁹ God also said, "Look, I have given you every seed-bearing plant on the surface of the entire earth and every tree whose fruit contains seed. This food will be for you, ³⁰ for all the wildlife of the earth, for every bird of the sky, and for every creature that crawls on the earth—everything having the breath of life in it. I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ God saw all that He had made, and it was very good. Evening came and then morning: the sixth day.

Restoration as King Priest.

2 Timothy 2:11-12

¹¹ This saying is trustworthy:

For if we have died with Him,

we will also live with Him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with Him;

if we deny Him, He will also deny us;

1 Corinthians 6:3

³ Don't you know that we will judge angels—not to mention ordinary matters?

Revelation 20:1-6

Satan Bound

20 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven with the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand. ² He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent who is the Devil and Satan,^[a] and bound him for 1,000 years. ³ He threw him into the abyss, closed it, and put a seal on it so that he would no longer deceive the nations until the 1,000 years were completed. After that, he must be released for a short time.

The Saints Reign with the Messiah

⁴ Then I saw thrones, and people seated on them who were given authority to judge. I also saw the people^[b] who had been beheaded^[c] because of their testimony about Jesus and because of God's word, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and who had not accepted the mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with the Messiah for 1,000 years. ⁵ The rest of the dead did not come to life until the 1,000 years were completed. This is the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! The second death has no power^[d] over them, but they will be priests of God and of the Messiah, and they will reign with Him for 1,000 years.

Romans 5:15-17

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if by the one man's trespass the many died, how much more have the grace of God and the gift overflowed to the many by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁶ And the gift is not like the one man's sin, because from one sin came the judgment, resulting in condemnation, but from many trespasses came the gift, resulting in justification.^[a] ¹⁷ Since by the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive the overflow of grace and the gift of righteousness **reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.**

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Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸ Then Jesus came near and said to them, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go, therefore, and make disciples of^[a] all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember,^[b] I am with you always,^[c] to the end of the age."

How?

Love for the savior/and for others

Matthew 10:37-39

³⁷ The person who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; the person who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. ³⁸ And whoever doesn't take up his cross and follow^[a] Me is not worthy of Me. ³⁹ Anyone finding^[b] his life will lose it, and anyone losing^[c] his life because of Me will find it.

John 13:35

³⁵ By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

Obedience

Matthew 16:24-26

²⁴ Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wants to come with Me, **he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.** ²⁵ For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me will find it. ²⁶ What will it benefit a man if he gains the whole world yet loses his life? Or what will a man give in exchange for his life?

Matthew 24:9-14

⁹ "Then they will hand you over for persecution,^[a] and they will kill you. You will be hated by all nations because of My name. ¹⁰ Then many will take offense, betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹ Many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. ¹² Because lawlessness will multiply, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end will be delivered.^[b] ¹⁴ This good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed in all the world^[c] as a testimony to all nations. And then the end will come.