

## Title: United In Christ

- 1) Every Christian Is Born Into The Same Spiritual Family
  - 2) Every Christian is A Crucial Piece Of The Church
  - 3) Every Believer Is A Servant In The Same Mission
  - 4) Every Believer is A Citizen Of The Same Nation
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**Scripture:** [1 Peter 1:22-2:10](#)

### The Enduring Word

<sup>22</sup> Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth <sup>Ⓜ</sup>through the Spirit in <sup>Ⓜ</sup>sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, <sup>23</sup> having been born again, not of <sup>Ⓜ</sup>corruptible seed but <sup>Ⓜ</sup>incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides <sup>Ⓜ</sup>forever, <sup>24</sup> because

"All flesh *is* as grass,  
And all <sup>Ⓜ</sup>the glory of man as the flower of the grass.  
The grass withers,  
And its flower falls away,  
<sup>25</sup> But the <sup>Ⓜ</sup>word of the LORD endures forever."

Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

### Our Inheritance Through Christ's Blood

<sup>2</sup> Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, <sup>2</sup> as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow <sup>Ⓜ</sup>thereby, <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

### The Chosen Stone and His Chosen People

<sup>4</sup> Coming to Him *as to* a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God *and* precious, <sup>5</sup> you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture,

"Behold, I lay in Zion  
A chief cornerstone, elect, precious,  
And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, to you who believe, *He is* precious; but to those who <sup>Ⓜ</sup>are disobedient,

"The stone which the builders rejected  
Has become the chief cornerstone,"

<sup>8</sup> and

"A stone of stumbling  
And a rock of offense."

They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

<sup>9</sup> But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; <sup>10</sup> who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.