



**WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT YOU – Part 2 of 2**  
**Hope-Filled Living in A Troubled World – First Peter series (Part 3)**  
**I Peter 2:4-5; 9-10**  
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*4 As you come to Him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to Him— 5 you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 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 2:4-6; 9-10 NIV*

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- "You are a chosen people..."*
- "You are a people belonging to God..."*
- "You are living stones..."*
- "You are a royal priesthood and holy nation..."*
- "Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy"*

*"All the old titles of God's people now belong to you" 1 Peter 2:9 Ph*

BECAUSE OF GOD’S GRACE, I’M PART OF GOD'S FAMILY, THEREFORE, ...

**1. I AM ACCEPTABLE! ("chosen by God")**

*"You have been chosen by God Himself ... you are God’s very own” 1 Peter 2:9 LB*

**2. I AM VALUABLE! ("you belong to God")**

*"Come to the Lord, the living Stone rejected as worthless by men, but chosen as valuable by God. YOU ALSO, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house..." 1 Peter 2:4 (GN/NIV)*

**3. I AM CAPABLE, AND COMPETENT TO HANDLE WHAT HAPPENS IN LIFE "you are a royal priest"**

*"... you are a royal priesthood ... ” 1 Peter 2:9 NIV*

"...you are God's instruments to do His work..." 1 Peter 2:9 (MSG)

"It is God who saved us and chose us for His holy work not because we deserved it but because that was His plan long before the world began—to show His love and kindness to us through Christ." 2 Timothy 1:9 LB

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Matthew 23:11 NIV

"God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings." 1 Peter 4:10 NLT

Paul: "Remember that our Lord Jesus said, "More blessings come from giving than from receiving." Acts 20:35 CEV

#### **4. I AM FORGIVABLE "you have received mercy"**

"Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." 1 Peter 2:10b NIV

"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 (GN)

"Long ago, even before He made the world, God chose us to be His very own through what Christ would do for us; He decided then to make us holy in His eyes, without a single fault—we who stand before Him covered with His love." Ephesians 1:4 (LB)

"Once you were less than nothing; now you are God's own!" 1 Peter 2:10 LB