

Our Position in Christ

1 Peter 2:4-12

Blessings we have because of Jesus:

- He is our cornerstone. (vv. 4a, 6a, 7b, Is. 28:16, Ps. 118:22, Acts 4:11, Eph. 2:20) **Jesus:**
 - Was rejected by His own people. (v. 4b, John 1:10-11, Mark 3:21)
 - Was chosen by God the Father. (v. 4c, Is. 42:1, Matt. 12:18, Heb. 5:5)
 - Is the peoples' mediator before God. (v. 5, 1 Tim. 2:5, Heb. 5:1-10)
 - Is the only source of our salvation. (v. 6b, Heb. 5:9)
- We are living stones.
- We are holy priests. (Heb. 4:14-16, 1 Pet. 1:9) **How?**
 - By offering ourselves as a living sacrifice for Christ. (Rom. 12:1)
- We are a chosen people. (vv. 9-10) **How?**
 - Through the mediation of Jesus. (Heb. 9:11-15, Matt. 28:18-20)
- We have a Heavenly home awaiting. (vv. 11-12, John 14:1-3) **Things to remember while we wait for God's return:**
 - Keep away from worldly desires.
 - Live properly among your un-believing neighbors. **Why?**
 - They will see your honorable behavior.
 - They will give honor to God. (Matt. 5:14-16)

Points to Ponder:

- Found your life on Jesus!
- Live your life for Jesus!
- Minister to others because of Jesus!
- Sacrifice yourself as a gift to Jesus!
- Live with the hope of spending eternity with Jesus!