

**“God’s Own Possession”**  
1 Peter 2:4-12

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Believers

Intro.:

How do you picture God?

Don’t forget (1Peter 1)

Who you are  
How to live

God’s view

Jesus

Living **stone**  
Choice and precious

Believers

Living **stone**  
Spiritual house (1 Corinthians 3:6)  
Chosen race, holy/royal priesthood, holy nation

Ministering to one another (James 5:16)

People of **God**

The world

Rejecting **Jesus**  
Disobedient

Man’s view

Jesus

Stumbling **block**  
Offensive

Stumbling **block**  
Aliens and strangers  
**Evildoers**

God’s own **possession** (Hebrews 4:16)

**Called** out of darkness into light  
Receivers of God’s mercy

If/then

Offering sacrifices (Romans 12:1; Hebrews 13:15-16)  
**Proclaiming** the excellencies of God

For God’s glory

**Abstain** (1 Peter 1:14-15)  
Excellent **behavior** (1 Peter 2:1)  
Do **good** deeds (Matthew 5:16)

Application:

1. Am I a living **stone**?
2. Am I a person of **integrity**?
3. Am I doer of good **deeds**?
4. Do I have a good reputation with **nonbelievers**?

1 Corinthians 2:3-5 - through God’s power

We are living stones uniquely designed to fit into the wall of God’s temple, so that we might fulfill His purpose for us, in this world, and to ultimately bring glory to Him.

Your action point(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Next week: **1 Peter 2:13-25**