

4-2-2025 “I am God’s TREASURE”

Imagine...

Your home has just caught fire in the attic and you are home alone and have no pets. All your cash and liquid assets are protected in a fireproof safe. You have time to safely grab several items (your most TREASURED possessions). What would you grab and why?

Some objects have a rich and deeply personal significance and history with you that they become TREASURED possessions. They represent something inherently precious and valuable to you.

Meditate...

God thinks of his people like that and that is why he rescued them through from Pharaoh in Egypt. In Exodus 19:3-6 Moses describes God’s rescue and invites them into covenant relationship where they will become God’s TREASURED POSSESSION.

³Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: ⁴‘You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my TREASURED POSSESSION. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”

God repeats this identity statement about the Israelites in Deuteronomy 14:1-2

“You are the children of the Lord your God. Do not cut yourselves or shave the front of your heads for the dead, ²for you are a people holy to the Lord your God. Out of all the peoples on the face of the earth, the Lord has chosen you to be his TREASURED POSSESSION.”

Peter calls believers to act according to this amazing identity in 1 Peter 2:9 quoting Exodus 19:5-6.

⁹But 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.

Reflect...

Jesus didn’t run into a burning building to rescue you, but instead chose to be crucified, as your substitute, taking God’s righteous punishment for your sin.

1. What stirs in your heart or mind as you consider that God sees you as a TREASURED POSSESSION worth sending his Son to rescue?
2. Ask Jesus, “what are some specific times in our journey together that are significant to you? Why those?”
3. Give thanks and share with Jesus some times in your journey with Him that are significant to you.
4. Jesus, what lies do I believe about myself that hold me back from believing in my heart that you consider me a TREASURED POSSESSION? Holy Spirit help me confess / tell the truth about those lies.

Pray...

“Holy Spirit, open the eyes of my heart to receive this identity as your TREASURED POSSESSION. Jesus thank you for coming to redeem me from my sin and guilt and shame and reconcile me to Heavenly Father as his adopted child. I belong to you. I am yours.

Empower me to live in alignment with this identity as your TREASURED POSSESSION. To be holy in the way I think, talk, act and make choices.

Activate me to live as part of your royal priesthood, declaring your greatness and introducing people to Jesus through words, and acts of blessing.”

?? Lord, who would you like me to pray for now?

Holy Spirit show me who to bless and how today!