



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

Consider Your Net Worth October 27-29, 2018

(1 Peter 2:9–10) But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, 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. If you are willing, tell of a time or circumstance when you felt worthless. How did you try to deal with that feeling? Did it work? Why or why not?
2. Agree or disagree and why? If you want to feel good about yourself, you should concentrate on being the best at something.
3. What sentences in our text point to what our life was like “apart from Christ”? Mention some other verses from Scripture that speak to our value and worth apart from Jesus.
4. Agree or disagree and why? If we claim to have value or worth apart from Christ, we make God a liar and Christ unnecessary?
5. The words of Psalm 22:6: “I am a worm and not man...” are the words of the Messiah – our Savior Jesus. Use these words to explain the lengths to which Jesus went to rescue us from our sin.
6. How does the sermon explain the phrase “in Christ”? Why is it so important to find our worth “in Christ”?
7. The dictionary defines “net worth” as a person’s “assets minus her debts.” Use this term to explain our worth “in Christ” as it pertains to our status as:
 - a. royal priests
 - b. holy nation
 - c. people belonging to God
8. Explain how your own life experiences might help you “declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”
9. “God does not love us because we are valuable, but we are valuable because God loves us.” Use these words of Martin Luther to summarize the main truths of this week’s sermon.