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1 Peter 2:9-12

⁹But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy. ¹¹Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, ¹²having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Christian culture

Acts 2:42,46-47

⁴²And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers ⁴⁶So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

1. Apostles doctrine

Psalm 1:2

²But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night.

Psalm 119:11

¹¹Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

1 Timothy 4:13

¹³Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

¹⁶All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2. Fellowship

1 John 1:7

⁷But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

3. Around the table

Psalm 23:5

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

Revelation 3:20

²⁰Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

4. Prayer

Psalm 141:2

²Let my prayer be set before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Revelation 5:8

⁸Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

5. One accord

Psalm 133:1

¹Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Acts 2:44-45

⁴⁴Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

Acts 4:32

³²Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common.

6. In the temple

Psalm 122:1

¹Lord, I have loved the habitation of Your house, And the place where Your glory dwells. I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord."

Psalm 5:7

⁷But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple.

7. Gladness of heart

Psalm 118:24

²⁴This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

¹⁷Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls— ¹⁸Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

8. Simplicity of heart

Psalm 131:1-2

¹Lord, my heart is not haughty, Nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, Nor with things too profound for me. ²Surely I have calmed and quieted my soul, Like a weaned child with his mother; Like a weaned child is my soul within me.

9. Praise

Psalm 71:14-18

¹⁴But I will hope continually, And will praise You yet more and more. ¹⁵My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness And Your salvation all the day, For I do not know their limits. ¹⁶I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD; I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only. ¹⁷O God, You have taught me from my youth; And to this day I declare Your wondrous works. ¹⁸Now also when I am old and gray headed, O God, do not forsake me, Until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to everyone who is to come.

Psalm 150

¹Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament! ²Praise Him for His mighty acts; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness! ³Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; Praise Him with the lute and harp! ⁴Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes! ⁵Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with clashing cymbals! ⁶Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!