

1 Peter – Small Group Study Week Seven

Verses for the week: 1 Peter 2:9-12

“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.”

Questions:

1. What does Peter mean by "chosen race"? What is significant about "chosen"?
2. Verse 11 reminds us we are in a war - a war for our "souls", and I would add a war for our family, our work, our money, our time, etc. How do you fight this war in your own life?

Quote of the week: Lust is a poor, weak, whimpering thing compared with that richness & energy of desire which will arise when lust has been killed. CS Lewis