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I Pet. 2:6-10

INT: Text to small, select, unusual group. N. T. Christians.


Unusual because see Jesus in true light. 6-8. Precious.

Conclusion of text: Christians are different. 10*

TEST of discipleship: Degree of difference from world.

I. APOSTLE SAYS SAME THING FOUR DIFFERENT WAYS. Emphasis.

A. CHOSEN GENERATION. Extension of Ex. 19:5-6*

1. Chosen to special Privileges. Land, protection,
   prosperity, peace and rest. But not gentiles!!!

2. Chosen to special Obedience. Vs. 7. All. 8. Do.
   
   Ill. Not like little girl who wouldn't sit down.
   
   Mother made her. Said, "I may be sitting down
   on the OUTSIDE, but I'm not sitting down INSIDE"

   Ill. More like two boys answering grocer's want ad.

   1st ad. "Grocery helper wanted." Too many came,
   
   2nd ad. "Wanted, to assist in store, a boy who
   obeys his mother." Two came. (Knt. 1, p. 470)


B. ROYAL PRIESTHOOD. Exodus 19:6.*

1. Priests are set apart to offer prayers and sacrifice.

2. Only following our High Priest. Heb. 8:1-3, 4:14-16.


1. Holy: Gr. HAG- IOS means different.

2. Test of God's Holy Nation today:
   


   c. Internal: Spr. interest. Diff.? Many.

   d. Children: Carl Brecheen, "Do same as worldly
   kids, just enjoy it less, because know better.
   Pushed by popularity-seeking parents.
   Many talented, few dedicated. School first!!!

D. PECULIAR PEOPLE. "God's Own Possession." Superior.

1. Ordinary object takes on new value when possessed
by a famous person. Ex:

Winston Churchill's walking stick. Just wood! Whos?

Old black worthless umbrella. Owned by Lincoln!!!

2. Worldly, worthless life becomes precious when God
   gives him Sonship, value, & greatness. Heb. 8:10.
INV: When a person becomes a Christian:

CHosen of God to the higher & better life.

Given position in ROYAL PRIESTHOOD.

Given citizenship in HOLY NATION.

Becomes a PECULIAR PERSON, as possession of God!


HOPE: End of 1967 is the end of your part-time Christianity. Give all of self! R-P.
Owner of Lincoln Clothes
Asking $50,000 for Outfit

GRENSBORO, N.C. (AP)—The owner of the overcoat and suit President Abraham Lincoln wore to Ford's Theater the night he was assassinated would like to see them become part of the Lincoln museum in the theater, but is asking $50,000 for them plus documents authenticating them.

That was the word from William T. Rightsell Jr., a Greensboro lawyer who is the spokesman for the owner, Mrs. Marvin Smith.

Mrs. Smith is the granddaughter of Alfonso Donn, a White House doorkeeper to whom the clothes were given by the President's widow, Mary Todd Lincoln. Rightsell said the authenticating documents include letters from Mrs. Lincoln.

An advertisement was inserted in the New York Times last spring offering the collection for $50,000. Rightsell said that the amount is negotiable, but that is the asking price.

The clothes are in a bank vault in Greensboro.

Ford's Theater is scheduled to resume live theatricals Jan. 21.

The Washington Post has reported that the Interior Department is seeking the clothes for display in the newly restored theater in Washington, but so far has been unable to get authorization to buy the garments or find a patron to provide the money. The paper quoted Douglas H. Hubbard, an Interior Department official, as saying, "Our fear is that some private collector will buy them unless we are able to negotiate with Mrs. Smith and settle with her soon."

Rightsell said there had been some response from private parties to the Times advertisement, but nothing toward a definite sale.