

CALLING #1

As the apostle Peter was writing to Christians scattered all around the world, he told them how unique their relationship with God was. He used figurative language to describe what they had become for God because of what God had done for them. In 1 Peter 2:9 Peter wrote “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a Holy nation, a people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.”

The last part of this verse tells us that the recipients of Peter’s letter had become God’s people by God calling them out of darkness into light. When we think of darkness a number of negative things come to mind like ignorance, sin and being lost. On the other hand, when we think of light we think of things like knowledge, righteousness and being saved. So when God called these people out of darkness into light, it’s the same thing as saying that He saved them.

If we are not Christians, we’re still in spiritual darkness and we are lost. As long as we stay in the darkness we’re separated from God and are not part of His people. The obvious question then, is how does God call us into His marvelous light? That will be the subject of our next Bible discussion.