

The Church is FOR... Glorifying God

Wylie United Methodist Church

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1 Peter 2:9

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.

The Church is...

1. CHOSEN BY GOD AND BELONGS TO GOD

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen people... a people belonging to God...

Eph 1:4-5

4 For [God] chose us in him before the creation... In love 5 he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will.

John 15:16

[Jesus said] 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you...

Gal 3:26-29

26 You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

The Church is...

2. CHOSEN TO BE ROYAL AND HOLY

1 Peter 2:9

But you are... a royal priesthood, a holy nation...

1 Peter 1:15-16

15 But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; 16 for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

Eph 1:4

4 For [God] chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.

The Church is...

3. CHOSEN TO BRING GOD GLORY

1 Peter 2:9

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.

Eph 1:4-6

4 ... In love 5 [God] ... adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

John 15:16

[Jesus said] 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit — fruit that will last.