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Identified as God's Holy People

Ephesians 2:19-22

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[19]So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, [20]built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, [21]in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. [22]In Him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.
—Ephesians 2:19-22

[1]Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. [2]Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
—Romans 5:1-2

By His sacrifice He removed the hostility of the Law, with all its commandments and rules, and made in Himself out of the two, Jew and Gentile, one new man, thus producing peace. For He reconciled both to God by the sacrifice of one body on the cross, and by this act made utterly irrelevant the antagonism between them. —Ephesians 2:14-15 PME

1. We are _____ of God's Kingdom

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. —Philippians 3:20

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel.
—Philippians 1:27

2. We are _____ of God's Family

Notes:

DISCOVER WARREN MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

I will protect the unity of my church by…
- acting in love toward other members
- refusing gossip
- following the leaders

I will share the responsibility of my church by…
- praying for its growth
- praying unceasingly for its ministries
- inviting the unchurched to attend
- warmly greeting those who visit

I will serve the ministry of my church by…
- discovering my gifts and talents
- being equipped to serve alongside my pastors
- developing a servant's heart

I will support the testimony of my church by…
- attending faithfully
- living a godly life
- giving regularly

3. We are _____ in God's Temple

Therefore thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I am the One who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.'" —Isaiah 28:16

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. —Psalm 118:22

For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. —1 Corinthians 3:11

[4]As you come to Him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, [5]you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house. —1 Peter 2:4-5a

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