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God's Past, Present, and Future Plan

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# 1 Peter 2

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**You are coming to Christ, who is the living cornerstone of God's temple. He was rejected by people, but he was chosen by God for great honor.**

# 1 Peter 2:5

And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God.

# 1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

# Revelation 1

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This letter is from John to the seven churches in the province of Asia. Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; and from Jesus Christ.

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He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world. All glory to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us.

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He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.



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# Genesis 5:1

This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God.

# Genesis 5:2

Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created.

**Prophet**

# Exodus 15:20

Then Miriam the prophet, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women followed her, with timbrels and dancing.

# **2 Kings 22:14**

**Hilkiah the priest, Ahikam, Akbor,  
Shaphan and Asaiah went to  
speak to the prophet Huldah, who  
was the wife of Shallum son of  
Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper  
of the wardrobe.**



# **Luke 2:36**

**Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was the daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher, and she was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years.**

**Deacon**

# **Romans 16:1**

**I commend to you our sister  
Phoebe, who is a deacon in the  
church in Cenchrea.**

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And all the people responded together, “We will do everything the Lord has commanded.” So Moses brought the people’s answer back to the Lord.

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Then the Lord said to Moses, “I will come to you in a thick cloud, so the people themselves can hear me when I speak with you. Then they will always trust you.”

Moses told the Lord what the people had said.

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**Then the Lord told Moses, “Go down and prepare the people for my arrival. Consecrate them today and tomorrow, and have them wash their clothing.**

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He told them, “Get ready for the third day, and until then abstain from having sexual intercourse.”

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