

Walking As Children of Light In A Dark World



Showing Light to a Dark World

**Proclaiming
His Excellencies
1 Peter 2:9**



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- **A People**
- **A Purpose**
- **A Proclamation**



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- **to tell out, to declare abroad, divulge, publish; to make known by praising or proclaiming**
- **“declare”, “set forth”, “make known”**
- **show others**



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- **moral goodness, virtue, uprightness, a gracious act**
- ***“which shine forth in our gratuitous calling and in the whole work of our salvation”***

- Johann Gerhard



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3 God comes from Teman, and the Holy One from Mount Paran. Selah. His splendor covers the heavens, and the earth is full of His praise.

- **Habakkuk 3**
- **His excellency is on display in creation**
 - Ps. 19:1; 97:6; Romans 1:20
- **Make known the answer to life's questions...**
 - Eccl. 3:11, 14; Acts 17:27
- **Proclaim Him as the Creator!**



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13 Yes, He shall build **the temple of the LORD.** He shall bear the glory, and shall sit and **rule on His throne** so He shall be **a priest on His throne** and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.” ’ [NKJV]

- **Zechariah 6**
- **His excellency is displayed in His Kingdom!**
 - **His church - Matt. 16:18-19**
 - **His temple - Eph. 2:19-21**
 - **His Son - Heb. 1:3**
- **Declare His Son as both Priest and King!**



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⁷ I shall make mention of **the lovingkindnesses of the Lord** the praises of the Lord, according to **all that the Lord has granted us** and the **great goodness** toward the house of Israel, which He has granted them according to **His compassion** and according to **the abundance of His lovingkindnesses**

- **Isaiah 63**

- **His excellency is seen in His lovingkindness**

- **His compassion/mercy – Mark 6:34**

- **What He has granted us – 2 Pet. 1:2-4; 2 Tim. 1:9**

- **Show others His lovingkindnesses!**



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¹² Let **them** give glory to the Lord and declare His praise in the coastlands.

- **Isaiah 42**

²¹ **The people whom I formed for Myself** will declare My praise.

- **Isaiah 43**

- **God has always intended that His own special people, a people that He chose for Himself, would show forth His excellencies to others**

- **A people. A purpose. A proclamation.**

- **Hmmm... that sounds familiar**



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“Proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you...”

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“make known the perfections of Him who called you” (WNT)

“tell all the wonderful things he has done” (CEV)

“show others the goodness of God” (NLT)



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