Called, Chosen & Faithful

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Text

Rev 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

Rev 17:12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

Rev 17:13 These have one mind and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Jud 1:14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

Jud 1:15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

I. Called [Out]: Church

<u>Mat 16:18</u> And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my <u>church</u>; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

"Ekklesia" in Greek means a called-out body

II. Called [Out]: Abraham

Gen 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: Gen 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

Gen 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Gen 12:4 **So Abram departed**, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Note: Abraham was called out from his country and kin into a new land

III. Called [Out]: Individuals

"In the Greek language of the New Testament, the word for "called" is kletos. It is related to the noun klesis, which means "a calling" and is used "especially of God's invitation to man to accept the benefits of salvation" (Vine's Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words, "Call, Called, Calling")."

https://lifehopeandtruth.com/change/the-church/called-and-chosen/

a. By the Father

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

b. By the Faithful One

1Th 5:24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

c. Through the Gospel to obtain Glory

2Th 2:14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

d. According to His purpose

Rom 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the <u>called according to his purpose</u>.

e. Out of Darkness into His marvellous Light

1Pe 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him **who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:**

f. To Holiness

CEV 2Ti 1:9 God saved us and <u>chose us to be his holy people</u>. We did nothing to deserve this, but God planned it because he is so kind. Even before time began God planned for Christ Jesus to show kindness to us.

1Pe 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

1Pe 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so **be ye holy** in all manner of conversation;

1Pe 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

g. To Fellowship

1Co 1:9 God is faithful, through whom you were called into the <u>fellowship of His</u> **Son**, Yeshua the Messiah our Lord.

h. To Suffer

1Pe 2:21 For even <u>hereunto were ye called</u>: because <u>Christ also suffered for us</u>, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

i. To win Reward

TLV Php 3:14 I press on toward the goal for the reward of the upward calling of God in Messiah Yeshua.

IV. Sanctified

1Pe 1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

1Pe 1:2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

The Hebrew word for the verb "to sanctify" is qadash [H6942], and it means to "consecrate," "dedicate," "hallow," "purify," "(be, keep) holy" (Strong's)

The Greek word for "sanctification" is hagiasmos [G38, Strong's], meaning "separation, a setting apart" (*Unger's Bible Dictionary*, "Sanctification," p. 965).

<u>Unger's Bible Dictionary</u>: "The dominant idea of sanctification, therefore, is separation from the secular and sinful, and setting apart for a sacred purpose."

a. Spirit, soul & body

1Th 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

b. The will of God

1Th 4:3 For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

c. Sanctified by YAHWEH

Jud 1:1 Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are **sanctified by God the Father**, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

d. Sanctified by Yahshua's Sacrifice

Heb 10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

Heb 10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

e. Sanctify yourself

Jos 3:5 And Joshua said unto the people, <u>sanctify yourselves</u>: for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

1Jn 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore, the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

1Jn 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Lev 20:25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

Lev 20:26 <u>And ye shall be holy unto me</u>: for I the LORD am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

f. Unto Obedience

[1Pe 1:2 above]

V. Chosen [The Elect]

2Pe 1:10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and <u>election</u> sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: 2Pe 1:11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

G1589: eklogē

From G1586; (divine) selection (abstractly or concretely): - chosen, election.

Mar 13:27 And then shall he send his angels and shall gather together his <u>elect</u> from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

G1588: eklektos

From G1586; select; by implication favorite: - chosen, elect.

VI. Faithful

G4103: pistos

From G3982; objectively trustworthy; subjectively trustful: - believe (-ing, -r), faithful (-ly), sure, true.

a. From faith to faith

Rom 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.

b. Abiding

Joh 15:4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: <u>He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.</u>

Joh 15:6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned

G3306: menō

A primary verb; to stay (in a given place, state, relation or expectancy): - abide, **continue**, dwell, endure, be present, **remain**, stand, tarry (for), X thine own.

VII. White Linen Robe

<u>ESV Rev 19:7</u> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready;

Rev 19:8 it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

KJV Isa 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

KJV Job 29:14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment was as a robe and a diadem.

VIII. Rejection of Wedding Guest

Mat 22:11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:

Mat 22:12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither <u>not having a</u> <u>wedding garment</u>? And he was speechless.

Mat 22:13 Then said the king to the servants, bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Mat 22:14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

- a. The wedding guest did not have a wedding garment: the robe of righteous acts of the saints
- b. Many are called but few are chosen!
- c. The calling is an invitation, but we must be acceptable on His terms to be chosen