

Why Are We



So Different?

For you are a holy people to the Lord your God, and the Lord has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

Deuteronomy 14:2



9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness



into His marvelous light; 10 for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 11 Beloved, I



urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul. 12 Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in



which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.





Relevant to the world, but not reliant on it.



Jesus related to the world without being reliant on it.

Early Christians related to the world without relying on it.

Am I <u>in</u> the world without being <u>of</u> the world?

Relevant to the world, but not reliant on it.



Different from the world, but not disdainful of it.

Jesus was different without being disdainful.

Early Christians were different without being disdainful.

Am living out the **truth** in **love**?



Different from the world, but not disdainful of it.

