

ALL IN

PART 1 - Release the Secret Weapon

THE CHURCH'S SECRET WEAPON - A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

- Revelation 1:5-6; 5:10; 1 Peter 2:9-10

► Priests...

- ① Chosen by God
- ② Serve God faithfully
- ③ Focus on "Temple" work (Hebrews 13:15)
- ④ Mediate between God & people (1 Peter 2:4-5)

EPHESIANS 4:1-16 - GOD'S VISION FOR THE CHURCH

- ➔ Emphasis on UNITY as we pursue MATURITY

PRINCIPLE: Christianity is not a passive faith ... we have all got to get into the game!

OBSERVATIONS

- ① We are saved for service (Exodus 7:17; Ephesians 2:10; Mark 10:45)
- ② We are saved for specific service
- ③ Our service should be based upon divine enabling (Ephesians 4:7)
- ④ Grace-gift discovery comes through teaching & experimentation

EQUIPPED FOR SERVICE (EPHESIANS 4:7; 11-16)

THE (CATALYSIC) GIFTS

- ➔ Apostles - the "12" + Paul; those chosen & authorized by Christ; witnesses of the resurrection
- ➔ Prophets - people who received direct revelation from God in the beginning days of the church before the NT was written
- ➔ Evangelists - itinerant preachers who have no permanent flock to care for
- ➔ Pastor - Teachers - local church-based individuals who offer spiritual care & biblical instruction

THE GOALS

- ➔ Equipping for ministry
- ➔ Building up the Church
- ➔ Unity in faith & knowledge
- ➔ Spiritual maturity

HAVE YOU FOUND YOUR PLACE OF SERVICE? ARE YOU ALL IN?
IF NOT, IT'S TIME TO EXPERIMENT!