

A Royal Priesthood

Every believer is a priest in Christ and we are called to offer spiritual sacrifices.

You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 2:5 But you are ... a royal priesthood ... that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 1 Peter 2:9

What are the sacrifice that we make?

1) Our bodies

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. Romans 12:1

2) Our prayer

And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. Revelation 5:8

3) Our praise

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise--the fruit of lips that confess his name. Hebrew 13:15

4) Our penitence

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51:17

5) Our gifts

I have received full payment and even more; I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. Phil 4:18

6) Our good deeds

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. Hebrews 13:16

7) Our service

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. 2 Timothy 4:6

8) Our evangelism

[God made me] ... a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles with the priestly duty of proclaiming the gospel of God, so that the Gentiles might become an offering acceptable to God, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:16