

LIFEGROUPS

<u>SETLIST</u> (worship optional) Hallelujah Chant by Eddie James

Raise a Hallelujah by Bethel Music Holy Ground by Passion Echo by Elevation Worship

ICEBREAKER

Don't answer just yet, but just think about these answers (will be answered in discussion questions): what is your favorite color? What is your favorite movie? What is your favorite song? What is your favorite food?

OPEN IN PRAYER AND PLAY VIDEO

SCRIPTURE (do not read until prompted in the discussion questions) 1 Peter 2:9

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

 When you are distinct it means that you are the exception. When you're distinct and separate it means you are not ordinary, it means you're extraordinary. You're not common, you're not the rule; you're the exception to the rule. God calls you blessed, above not beneath, redeemed, beloved, chosen, delivered, restored, justified, glorified, chosen, healed, and anointed. These labels are not for the common. **Read 1 Peter** 2:9. *Have you ever felt common, like another face in the* crowd? Why do we live a common life knowing that God has labeled us extraordinary?

- There are things that come with being distinct that we may not like. The price of being distinct and exceptional is being alone. But sometimes we don't see our exceptional side or our anointing because we are so desperate to be accepted by others. When we seek out acceptance by others than we become just like them. God calls us not to be changed by others but to change them. Do you find yourself always wanting to be accepted by others? Have you ever settled in life just to be accepted?
- The power that we have is not where we are the same as others, but it is in our differences. Ask the group, what is your favorite color? What is your favorite movie? What is your favorite song? What is your favorite food? The reason you have a favorite is because it is different than all the others. There is something about your favorite thing that sets it apart from everything else. It's all right to be different and unique because you are set apart from the crowd. What makes you different? Have you ever been ashamed of your uniqueness? How can you begin to embrace who you are?
- Being exceptional means you will deal with exceptional battles. You may go through things that no one else will but being distinct means you are still hanging on to God's word, no matter what. You are fighting for your life but you still have faith that God can and will use you. Being distinct means you will walk out of the fiery furnace with no burns and not even smelling like smoke. *Have you dealt with exceptional battles? How did you walk out of them?*

OUR CHALLENGE

This week examine your heart and find out what makes you distinct. Write down what makes you different and unique then show the world! Let God work through you using your exceptional spirit.