

Living an Excellent Life  
You Are Above Average  
I Peter 2:9,10

It has been said that, "Average people look for ways of getting away with it; successful people look for ways of getting on with it." We all know that everybody here will experience difficulty. If you haven't, you're likely to . . . such as a loss of a job, a business failure, fire, flood, divorce, the loss of a loved one. . . we often say that it is not what happens to you that is important, it is how you react to what happens to you.

Loss is magnified when we think we are all alone or nobody understands. It is in times like these many people give up and just declare that they will never rise up, they will never make a difference; they are just going to be average.

This is not God's will for His people and if you are in Christ, you are His people. We are called to be "Above Average".

I. We are \_\_\_\_\_ for the 'high call'.

A. Your life, health, and being, become what you \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Royals \_\_\_\_\_ like royals.
2. Thoughts are \_\_\_\_\_ things that cause actions that develop into habits.
3. Habits make us \_\_\_\_\_ or sad, \_\_\_\_\_ or tense, \_\_\_\_\_ or sick, \_\_\_\_\_ or poor.

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II. You can be \_\_\_\_\_ in your loss.

A. You can be \_\_\_\_\_ saddened and deeply encouraged at the same time.

1. In your loss, \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ.
2. If we \_\_\_\_\_ about life's unfairness, we will drive positive people away.
3. We are commanded to "set our \_\_\_\_\_" on above average possibilities. Colossians 3:2

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III. Believe that God has taken you from \_\_\_\_\_ to something, from rejected to accepted.

A. Thinking is displayed by action that always tells the \_\_\_\_\_ of what we believe.

1. Five absolutes that will be displayed by your thought life:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. \_\_\_\_\_

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Conclusion

1. Life is for \_\_\_\_\_, not for enduring.
2. Life is not for tolerating, but to be \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Life is to be \_\_\_\_\_ and enjoyed.

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