

Now as Priests

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession,
that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

(1Peter 2:9)

1. Priests of old were con- se- crat- ed,
2. Priests of old were nev- er wea- ry,
3. Priests of old prayed for the na- tion,
4. Priests of old in- formed God's chil- dren,

Draw- ing near the ho- ly place,
Tend- ing God's most ho- ly law;
In- ter- ced- ing the for their sin,
Tell- ing what the Lord had done,

Pu- ri- fied and ded- i- cat- ed,
Keep- ers of the sanc- tu- ar- y,
Thank- ing God for their sal- va- tion,
Spread- ing God's love through- out Ca- naan,

Rep- re- sent- ing Is- rael's race.
Filled with rev- er- ence and awe.
Plead- ing on be- half of men.
Off- ring hope to eve- ry- one.

Now as priests, we all are ho- ly,
 Now as priests, we all ex- tol Him,
 Now as priests, we all im- plore Him,
 Now as priests, we all pro- claim Him,

Set a- part to serve our King.
 With de- vo- tion all our days.
 Plead- ing that we will not stray;
 Guid- ing sin- ners to His throne,

Draw- ing near the One and On- ly,
 We now wor- ship as we serve Him;
 With thanks- giv- ing, ers to come near Him,
 Urg- ing oth- ers to ac- claim Him,

Faith- ful lives to Him we bring.
 Sac- ri- fic- ing He words of praise.
 Pray- ing that He guard our way.
 Prais- ing Him and Him a- lone!

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