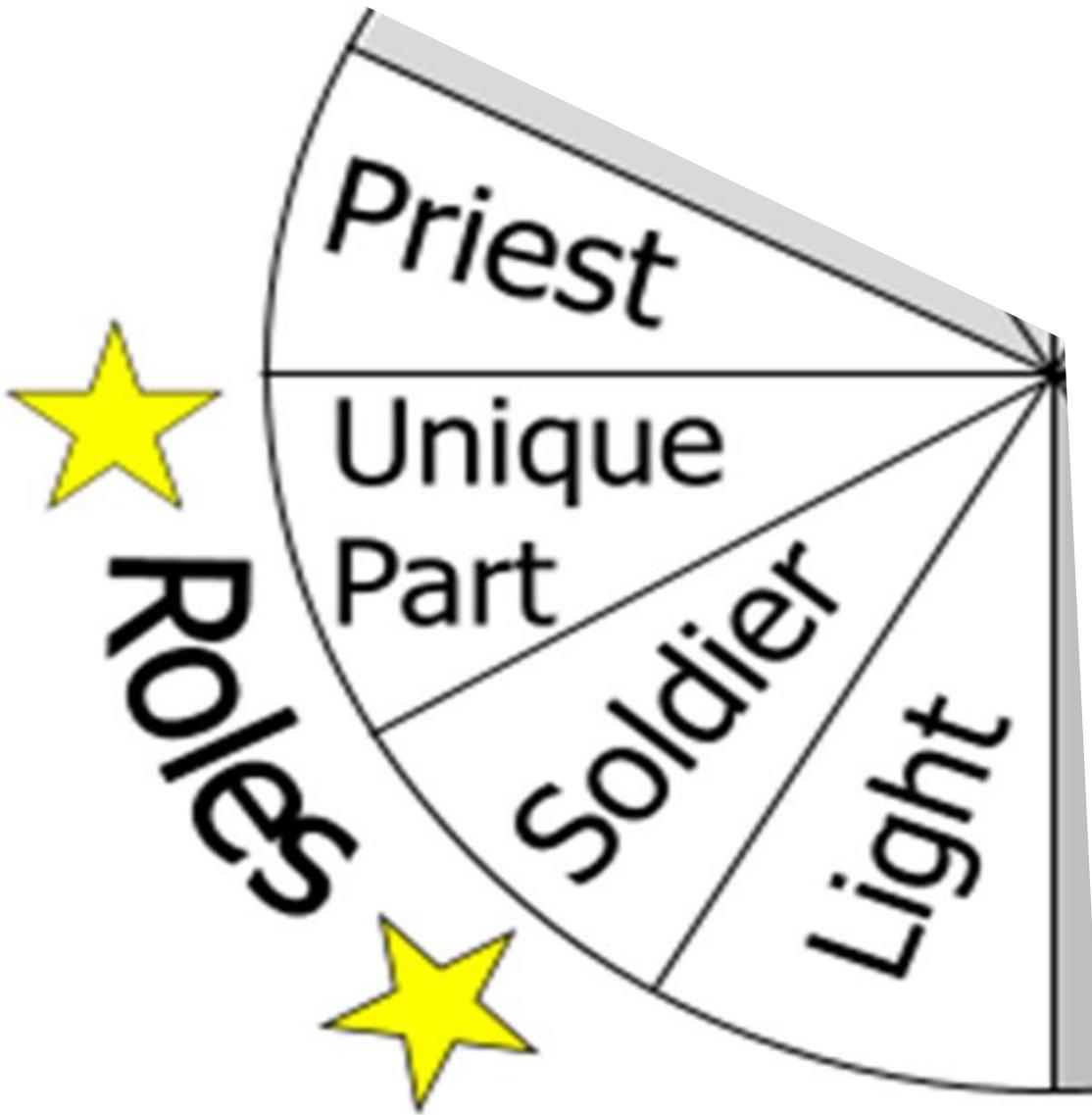




A STRONG IDENTITY

**4 Biblical Roles
We Have Been
Given**



Roles:

What are you designed to do?

What are your primary roles on earth?



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**You are a Unique
and
Important Part**

1 Corinthians 12:13-27 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.

1 Corinthians 12:13-27 And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be?

1 Corinthians 12:13-27 ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty,

1 Corinthians 12:13-27 ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it,²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. 27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

God's family

**Living stones, are being built into a
spiritual house**

A chosen people

A royal priesthood

A holy nation

A people

1 Corinthians 12:27

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of It”

You are a part not the whole

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You are a significant and unique
part

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**You affect and are by affected
the other parts**

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Love connects, unites and empowers the body

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Ephesians 4:15-16 *when we speak the truth in love, We will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.*

Challenge:

Whenever you meet with an individual or a group of Christians this week, spend some time praying beforehand considering how you can bring encouragement.

Hebrews 10:24-25 Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another...