

# ***Called out ones***



Unleashed! – 12 portraits of  
the Church





***Which one is church?***









# **Ekklesia**

- But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light



- Church - not a religious word
- Widely used at the time of the Roman Empire
- Ekklesia (Gk) - Called Out from among the people to perform a special task
- After military conquest, the Ekklesia would go into these conquered territories to make it just like Rome
- The Emperor delegated his authority to the Ekklesia so that they could act on his behalf



# ***Abraham's call***

- “I will make you into a great nation & I will bless you;
- I will make your name great & you will be a blessing
- I will bless those who bless you & whoever curses you I will curse and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

