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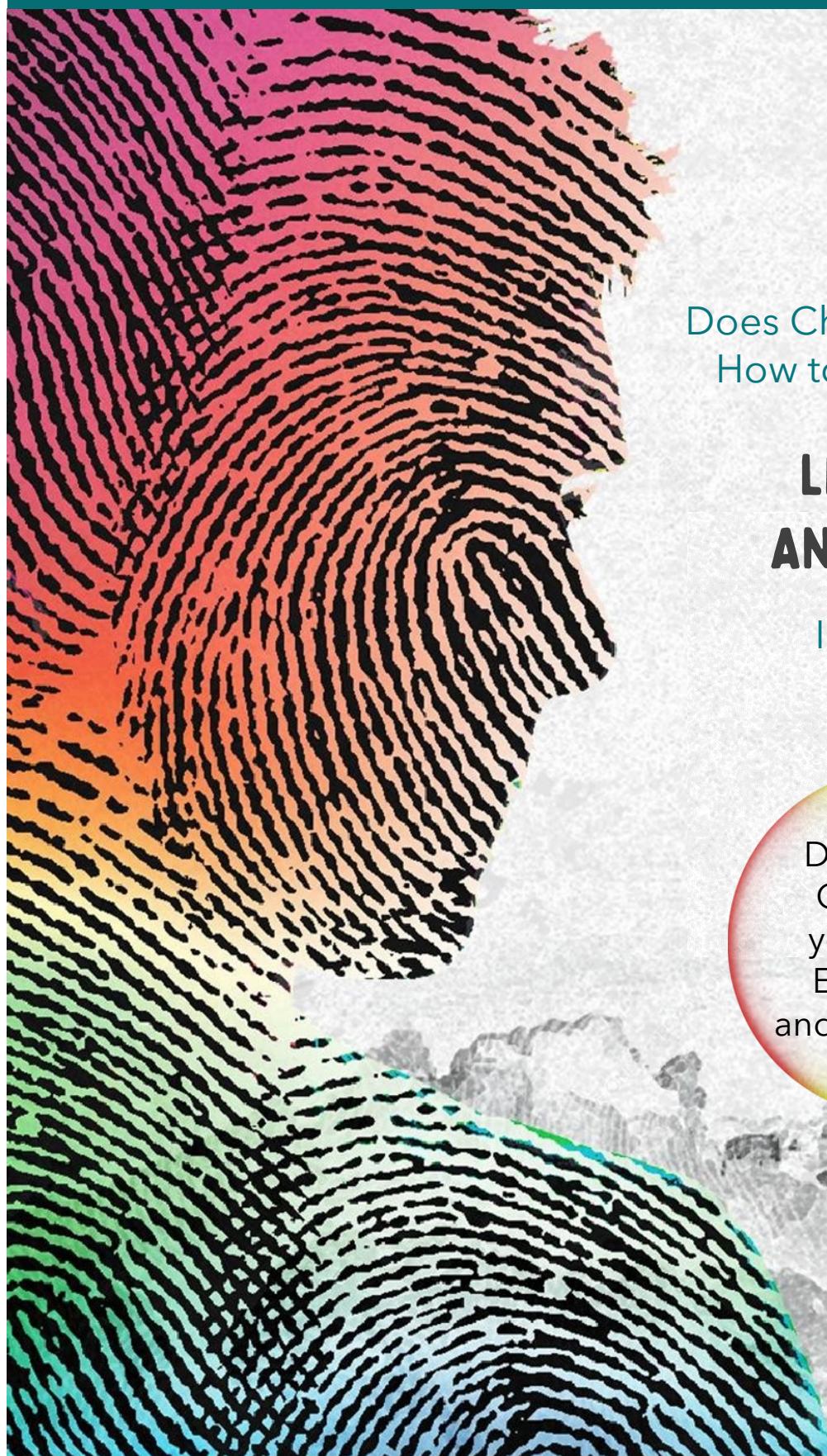
Who You Really Are?
What's Your Purpose?
Does Christ Have an Identity?
How to Walk in His Identity?

LET'S EXPLORE THE
ANSWERS TOGETHER

In a magazine that has
a little something for
EVERYONE!

Designed to
CONNECT
you to God,
Each Other
and Community

DISCOVER
GOD'S EPIC
PLANS FOR
YOU



"It is only when we begin to see Who Jesus really is that we will begin to see who we really are."

LISA BEVEREN

"Our identity is not in our joy and our identity is not in our suffering. Our identity is in Christ whether we have joy or suffering."

MARK DRISCOLL

"The more you reaffirm who you are in Christ, the more your behaviour will begin to reflect your true identity."

NEIL T ANDERSON

"Identity is the security of knowing who you are in Christ."

ROCKY ANDREW

"God does not have an identity crisis. He knows that He is great and deserves to be the centre of our lives."

FRANCIS CHAN

"I am more than a conqueror through Him who loves me."

ROMANS 8:37

"Your circumstances may change but who you are truly remains forever the same. Your identity is eternally secure in Christ."

HOLLEY GERTH

"Identity is the deep knowledge of where I come from, where I'm going and to Whom I belong."

DAVID LOMAS

"Define yourself radically by one beloved by God. This is the true self. Every other identity is an illusion!"

BRENNAN MANNING

"God is the only One Who has the authority to tell you who you are."

SARAH MAE

"It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we're living for."

EPHESIANS 1:11 (MSG)

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STARTING POINT

In the midst of an ever-changing world, there is one thing that never changes—the Love of God. As you travel on this journey called life, it's good to keep the constant and loving message of God ever closer to our hearts. Jesus loved and then taught us to love by example.

You call me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is He who is sent greater than He who sent Him.
If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

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Love as Jesus has shown is an act. Love is an act of caring and compassion. Jesus' love shown at the last supper in John 13 is in gathering and sharing a meal. It is in kneeling on the ground and washing his disciples' dirty feet. It is in his teaching the clueless disciples about what to do when he's gone. **Love is the fellowship, cleaning, teaching.** It is even for the least likely people, for those who will betray, deny, and abandon Him.

In this moment when a lot of us are spending more time together in close quarters, it becomes clear that without simple acts of love like this, relationships go bad really quick.

If no one takes out the rubbish or cleans up after cooking or mows the lawn or cleans the toilet or folds the laundry, then grudges get built up and tempers start to flare. Love is not some grand show of affection. Love is in the little, menial acts of care we do for others.

This is important for a loving family life, but it's even more important for our life in the world. As Christians, we share love with everyone. Our little, menial acts of caring are meant for family, friends, stranger alike. This is the love Jesus has shown to us, and it is the love he commands us to show to others. We practice this love in our homes so that then we can share it with the world.

Fellowship, feeding, cleaning, caring, this is our work as the church. We should always be asking ourselves, who is not at our fellowship table? Who is not being fed or cared for? Especially in a time like this. Because Jesus didn't just love those who he liked hanging out with. He loved those who would hurt and betray him. If we do not love in the same way, then how will anyone ever know we are Jesus' disciples?

It is my prayer that this resource will help families bond and, create a greater awareness of God in our lives. That it will also help us love our neighbours as Christ would have us. "Go and do likewise" will be what Jesus will say to us. Let us love our neighbour and serve well!

LIVE CHRIST DELIBERATELY
Rockey Andrew
Pastor



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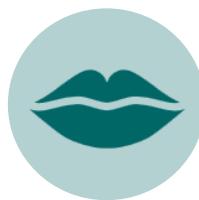
- This resource is to be used either around your dinner table or lounge as a family or in groups.
- Most of it is designed for family engagement but there are articles for individual application .
- It is designed to be run **inter-generationally** (multiple age groups).
- It is designed to be E.P.I.C.

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- Whenever a URL / link appears on a topic, please enter that link into a search engine using whichever device you have access to, so that you can engage with resource videos and songs, etc. (Your Laptop / Desktop PC, Smart TV, iPad / Tablet and Mobile Phone)
- This resource is specifically designed with sections for each generational group. These pages can be identified by their following Icons: -



MEN



WOMEN



YOUTH



CHILDREN



HOUSEHOLD

- Children will need assistance going through content on the Household pages. We encourage the families to try and work through these pages' content together.
- When you see the Cog Icon  appear, it requires for you to do some sort of working out and application of the content on that page.
- When you see a Pen Scribble Icon  you are required to jot down your thoughts or revelations concerning the content and questions, preferably in a journal. Think of it as an extended devotional.
- When you see the Copy Icon , it means these pages can be photocopied if you have more than one child in your household. If you do not have access to a photocopier, contact the church office for assistance.
- It is encouraged for everyone to keep connected with all persons in your household by discussing whether they understand the content or if they need assistance with any aspect of their Cogs.
- A PDF version of this magazine is also available on our website. www.wcc-church.com
- Use this resource as a learning, growing and application tool to mature in your Christian walk.

WEEK ONE

I can therefore I am.

SIMONE WEIL

WHO

am I?



Our RESPONSE

Find our identify in what Christ has done for us and what He says about us.

Why THIS MATTERS

Finding our identity in Christ frees us to: love more, risk more, and fear less.

I WANT MY FAMILY TO:

- **KNOW:** When we place our faith in Christ, we receive a new identity as a child of God because of what Christ has done.
- **EXPERIENCE:** Greater security, confidence, and freedom because we do not have to perform for others to be liked, accepted, or known.
- **DO:** Rest in their identity in Christ.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Imagine you are walking down the street and you find a lottery ticket on the ground. This is the Powerball jackpot winning ticket. You are instantly a millionaire! How would this change your life? What would happen if when you picked up the ticket you did not know it was real, so you never redeemed it?

2 Corinthians 5:17 tells us that we have a whole new identity and that is far better than winning the lottery!

But sometimes we do not know what is true about us. This week we are going to look at some of the things God says about the new you.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

NLT

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17



WHO AM I?

Think of the many titles that describe you dad, carer, manager, employee, provider, etc. How many times do you have to wear more than one of these hats at once.? Do you feel overwhelmed - almost stretched to breaking point?

We thought we would put our very own [Anthony Debo](#) on the hot seat to get a glimpse of how some men view themselves.

Q1: Have you ever felt the need to impress someone by not being yourself?

No! I am comfortable in my own skin. I do however have role models I aspire to be like in terms of character and how they impact other people's lives. They are my mum and my brother. They model Jesus by showing compassion and integrity in everything they do.



Q2: What affects how you view yourself?

Only God can affect how I view myself. The only other thing that affects me is information overload and the news. They increase the pressures to provide, protect, abide and be who I need to be in society.

Q3: Can you think of some titles that describe you?

Husband, father, brother, boss, uncle, nephew and son.

Q4: Have you ever been called bad names that defined you?

While hearing words like idiot, stupid or weak, made me feel bad, they could not define who I am.

Q5: Is who you are now who you always wanted to be?

I am much more than that. As the youngest of seven children. I never thought I would achieve much as I was never pushed, but thank God for what I am today.

Here we have it. Anthony has given us a glimpse, but not everyone has had the same experiences as him.

Whether it's pressures, labels or names you've been called, they have the potential to stop you from achieving and becoming who you should be. If you're caught in the vicious circle of where you have become the names you were called, there is great news for you today!

Our Father knows and sees you differently. He calls you His own. He calls you good and He wants you to know that only what He says and thinks about you matters.

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God,
to those who believe in His name
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JOHN 3:12



How does this verse affect your perspective of yourself?



Who Am I?

BUT WHOEVER DID WANT HIM, WHO BELIEVED HE WAS WHO HE CLAIMED AND WOULD DO WHAT HE SAID, HE MADE TO BE THEIR TRUE SELVES, THEIR CHILD-OF-GOD SELVES. (MSG)

John 1:12

Ladies, think and jot down all your titles throughout 1 day - mum, wife, aunty, housekeeper, daughter, taxi driver, school parent, etc. See how many of these roles define you? Be honest - How long is the list at the end of any day?

Slipping from success to disappointment in a heartbeat becomes the norm. Just when we think we have it all together, something happens. We would forget an appointment. Snap at one of our children. Or procrastinate on a project until we are stressed out and mad.

Some of us have built our identities on the shaky foundation of our circumstances and abilities. As soon as the delicate balance is tipped with a mistake, misstep, or mishap, we kick into overdrive to try and compensate. But all that busy activity never makes a lasting difference.

Our roller coaster identity takes us on a wild ride, but not the fun theme park kind. Why do so many of us draw a straight line from our actions to our identity? Why are we so quick to connect dots that are not there, slap a label on ourselves and believe it to be true? We stumble and call ourselves clumsy. We forget to pay a bill and call ourselves stupid. Our home is cluttered, and we call ourselves pathetic.

Those are not lines God draws. Only Satan, the father of all liars, draws a line from our work to our worth. Only the enemy wants us to find our identity in what we do, because he knows when the lights dim and the "success" is gone, so is our value. God, however, has another identity for us, one that is unchanging and independent of our actions. It is as His chosen and beloved child just as John 1:12 says.

"I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

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2 CORINTHIANS 6:18



What labels have you put on yourself that you would never put on someone else?



Write down some of the words that your family uses to describe how they see you - do these words tally with your view of yourself?



"I do not need to pretend to be anything other than myself. I AM ALREADY ENOUGH."



So God created mankind in HIS OWN IMAGE, in the image of God HE created them; male and female HE created them.



"Unless we know who we are, we will always be vulnerable to what people say".



Using a post-it notes, or piece of paper write the name of a TV character and pass it to someone in your group to place on their forehead without them seeing. That person must then ask up to ten yes/no questions to figure out who they are. Feel free to play this game multiple times!



Think about yourself for a moment - your personality...your hobbies and interests... your beliefs... your relationships... who would you say you are?

- Write a list if it helps!
- Why is it important to know who we are?
- Could there be any dangers of not fully knowing our identity?
- How does Genesis 1:27 and 2 Cor 12:14-22 affect the way you view yourself, knowing that God not only made you in His image, but made you to be unique - just the way you are?



'Who am I? is one of the biggest questions we can ask ourselves. you may not fully discover the answer to this question till next week, next month, or even next year. However, the more we journey towards understanding who we are uniquely created to be, the stronger and more secure we will be to take on the rest of what life holds for us!

Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. Now 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. 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. 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? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? 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!" On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,

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Some people try very hard to impress others but in the bargain lose their own IDENTITY



You Are INCREDIBLE

We would all love to see ourselves as a super-hero! Superman is just Clark Kent and the real Spiderman was just Peter Parker. They are ordinary people with extra special gifts and abilities given to them!

God uses ordinary, unexpected people to do extraordinary spectacular works! The disciples were a loud, messy bunch of people that Jesus empowered to turn the world upside down! He is able to do the same with you!



God did not create you to be a minion that looks like everyone else just to find an evil master to serve.

You are different and a masterpiece created by God the Father to be unique.



Colour and memorise
Psalm 139:14

ON THE NEXT PAGE



A game to play with your family and friends

- Stand up if you have blue eyes
- Stand up if you have curly hair
- Stand up if your earlobes attach at the bottom
- Stand up if you can curl or roll your tongue
- Stand up if you have dimples
- Stand up if you're left-handed
- Stand up if you have freckles

Make up some of your own – Just see how wonderfully God created you as his unique special child.



I WILL*
PRAISE
HIM FOR
I AM*
FEARFULLY
AND *
WNDERFULY
MADE.

FROM
PSALM 139:14



WORD SEARCH

- Can you find the words from Psalm 139:14 hidden in this puzzle?
- What other words can you find that tells you who you are?

You can find words going up and down. Left and right.
Backwards and forwards. And diagonally.

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YOU SAY

LAUREN DAIGLE

It was the day after my very first Dove awards, and I remember being completely overwhelmed. I walked into the studio, and Paul and Jason, my producers, were in there and they're like "All right what's going on in your world, how's it been?"

It was the first time we had written since *How Can It Be...* I just remember feeling like so much had happened the night before, wondering *How do I come back down to normal, how do I come back down to reality?* And I started realizing these patterns of really high highs and then, okay now there's a low. Really high , now there's a low...And Involving expectation in that space can just leave you kind of questioning your identity- *Where do I fit in, where is my security, where is my footing?*

So when writing "You Say," I just remember feeling for the first time pretty conflicted. It was definitely the first moment in just being an artist that I was like *Okay, where is all this going exactly?* And I know that we've all faced moments in life where we can feel a crossroads happen– where we can see the past and also see the future, and realize how we are supposed to exist in the present.

According to Casting Crown's lead singer Mark Hall, the idea for "Who Am I" came while he was driving home with his wife and children one night. Hall, who was having personal worship-time during the drive, recounts that he wondered "Who am I to think I can just call up to God whenever I want, from the middle of nowhere, and expect Him to hear me?" Hall says "immediately I started thinking I'm a new creation, I'm more than a conqueror... I'm also grass that rises up and is gone in a day". In an interview, he commented that "me being a conqueror is true, but at the same time I need to understand that my life is a vapor, and me being able to even pray to [God] is because of what He's done for me.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WfTlv7XeoFg>

It was one of those moments where I could see where things were going and I knew exactly where I came from, and I needed those worlds to still be married.

And thus brought up the issue of identity and trying to figure out how to exist when I felt like so many things were pulling me in so many different directions. I think a lot of times we build these complexes based on insecurity, based on fear, based on rejection, and lies that we have to constantly overcome.

And so this song for me was just a reminder of identity. It was a reminder that I know when I'm weak, He's strong–so how do I change that and bring that into my every day life? When I feel inadequate how is it that there's always these moments where I feel like God just steps in and supersedes my inadequacies.

This entire song, every single day I would get up on stage and remind myself–no, this is the truth, this is the truth, this is the truth. Don't get buried in confusion. Don't get buried in waywardness. Just remember to stay the course, stay the course.

That's the story behind "You Say".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=slaT8Jl2zpl>





PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER



Merciful Father, I have been taught to claim my authority as a man. I have dealt with the pressures of providing for and protecting those around me. I now realise that this role is not the only one that defines me, but rather how you see me—your child, who you will protect and provide for. Open my eyes, Lord to the truth as revealed in your Word, especially in the teachings of Christ. May I find my path of growing in You be uncluttered by my understanding or masculinity that have made me who I am today. In the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.



Most loving Father, You created me in Your image, with a mind to know You. You gave me a heart to love You and a desire to serve You. Faithful Father, thank you that you are my source of delight and wonder. I accept that I am your beloved daughter and I believe every Word that You have spoken over me. Give me the strength to be the woman that you have designed me to be and shape me into your likeness. Defeat the power of darkness in my life and help me conquer every obstacle that stands in my path. To You, my God, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time, now and forever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, AMEN.



Father, I understand that I don't have to be popular to be loved by You. Thank You that my worth and who I am is not dependent on anyone else but You and You say that I am yours and beautiful and created in Your image. Help me to never lose sight of who I am in You, when I face unkind words and names by others, that I will look up to You and know that Your thoughts about me are what really matters. In Jesus Name. AMEN.



Thank you Lord that You are always near me. You know everything about me. Please help me to see myself how you see me. And to obey You in all that You want me to say and do. AMEN.



- Take this time to pray over one another. Wait upon God to speak words of affirmation through you to each other.
- Listen to *You Say* by Lauren Daigle and *Who Am I* by Casting Crowns together and discuss how these songs speak to you.





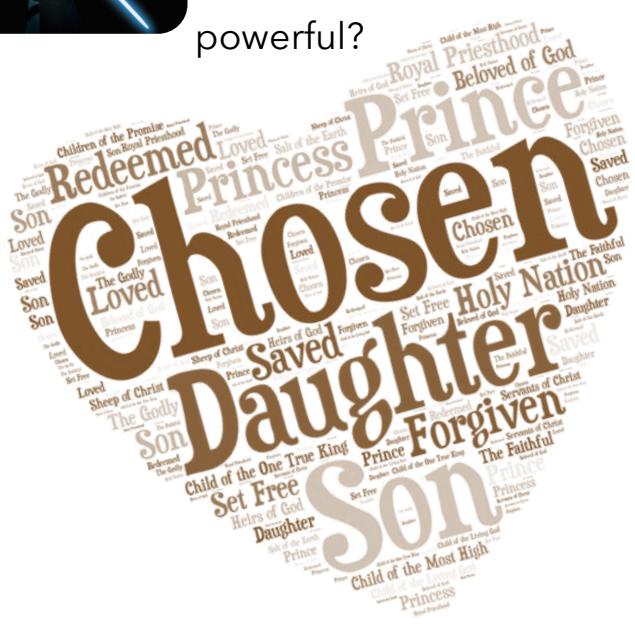
OUTREACH

Shai

The name "Shai" pronounced "shy" is funny right? Imagine the endless taunting in a school playground. But did you know that it means "gift"?



When you hear the name "Jedi" where does your mind go? If I said "Star Wars" I would be right, right? But the name "Jedi" actually hails from the Hebrew "Jedediah", meaning "invoker of the Lord". Isn't that powerful?



Ultimately, it does not
really matter what
other people call you,
what matters is what
God calls you.

Now why don't you use this to open conversations with your family, friends, neighbours, work colleagues etc. ask them these questions:

- Do you like your name, why or why not?
 - Do you know what your name means?
 - Does the meaning of your name matter to you, if so why, and if not why not?
 - If you had the opportunity to choose your own name, what would it be and why?



WHO I AM IN Christ

I confess.....

I AM AN AWESOME SPIRIT BEING

made in His image & saved by His grace.

TOTALLY LOVED

by God in spite
of my performance.

COMPLETELY FORGIVEN THROUGH THE BLOOD

OF Jesus Christ, who died for me.

DAILY EMPOWERED

by the Holy Spirit who lives **IN** me

AND desires to live **THROUGH** me.

ABSOLUTELY NOTHING

can touch my life apart
from God's permission.

I am a child of the eternal **KING**

WELCOMED into His presence at any time
and for any reason.

I AM heaven bound **AND** joy filled.

I AM HIS special treasure and **HE** knows me by name.

WEEK TWO

The purpose of life is
to live a life of purpose.

ROBERT BYRNE

WHAT'S MY PURPOSE

Purpose is where we find meaning—what we want to do and contribute. Purpose certainly can be linked to your job or career, but many people don't find their purpose in their work.

And even if it is linked, purpose is broader than just a job.

Whoever you are—whatever your life experiences, talents, physical ability, or role—you have a purpose.

EPHESIANS
2:10

For we are God's
workmanship,
created in Christ
Jesus to do good
works,
which God prepared
in advance for us
to do.
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- God created you.
- You are not an accident.
- God has a plan for you.
- You have a purpose in life.
- You are created to know God
- You are created for God's glory.
- You are created to praise God.
- You are created to grow in the fruit of the Spirit.
- You are created to spread the Gospel.
- You are created to use talents God gave you.

- JOHN 3:3
- JOHN 6:35
- ROMANS 10:9-10
- ISAIAH 43:6-7
- PSALM 86:9, 12
- GALATIANS 5:12
- PSALM 96:3
- ISAIAH 12:4
- MATTHEW 28:19
- ROMANS 12:4-8

Do not minimize your role.

All Christians collectively form the body of Christ. The body is formed of many different parts (Romans 12:4-8 and 1 Corinthians 12:12-27). All are important. It does not matter what part of the body you are: You have a purpose

What counts is that you are faithful.

God gave you talents and abilities. He expects you to develop them.

Read Matthew 25:14-30.

Do not downplay the value of what you do.

Don't compare yourself to others or give up if someone seems to do a better job than you. Of course there are others who have more talent. If all the evangelists or witnesses or teachers in the world decided to stop trying because someone else did a better job, where would we be?

"Activity without purpose is the drain of your life."

TONY ROBBINS



WHAT'S MY PURPOSE?

God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.

GENESIS 1:28

If you go back to Genesis, you find God telling men to "be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion...". God wants man to be fruitful. That can mean reproduction in terms of having children, but it also means spiritual reproduction. It means bearing fruit for the Lord, producing love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control as written about in Galatians 5:22-23.

God wants human beings to increase and grow. Artificial limits on growth are not biblical. The concept of zero growth, for example, is not biblical; and the concept of the socialist-type government, which puts arbitrary controls on a man's ability to make money or create or invent, is not biblical. God wants man to be a fruitful, creative, reproducing individual.

God also wants men to have dominion over Satan. He wants us, as His representatives, to overcome Satan. Jesus Christ gave us that authority. He wants us to take away poverty, to lift the yoke of oppression, and to take away ignorance and lack of faith. He wants us to bring a blessing to people and to liberate them from the forces that would destroy them.

Then, when we have taken dominion over the things that will hurt our fellow man, He wants us to take dominion over the earth. We are to have dominion over the streams and the air, and the fields and the birds, and the animals in our world. We are not supposed to pollute the streams and befoul the air and rip up the minerals in this earth just for personal gain. We are supposed to be intelligent stewards, under God, of all these things.

God wants us to manage the world as His sons and daughters. He wants us to bring about righteousness in this world. Our main purpose for being on earth is to be stewards of God's creation, to grow in God, and to function as God's sons and daughters.

Man's chief aim is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. The mandate in Genesis to take dominion has no meaning apart from giving glory to God. We are to be subject to Him, to love Him, to walk with Him, and to have fellowship with Him.

The prophet Micah sums it up when he says, "And what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" ([Micah 6:8](#))?

“Find a **PURPOSE**
in **LIFE** so big
it **WILL CHALLENGE**
every capacity
to be at your
best.”

He has shown you, O
man, what is
good; And what does
the Lord require of
you,
But to do justly,
To love mercy,
And to walk humbly
with your God?

MICAH
6:8

What do you need to change
in your life to fulfil:-

- Genesis 1:28
- Galatians 5:22-23
- Micah 6:8





WHAT'S MY PURPOSE?

You are so much more than whatever label or name that describes you. God created you for a purpose. It therefore makes for a beautiful and fulfilled life to find what that purpose is and to walk in it. What is my purpose? Have you ever asked yourself this question?

Knowing your purpose is largely rooted in knowing what God has called you to become and to do during your lifetime. The best way to get the best use of anything is to consult the manufacturer's manual; and in our case; our Creator—God! Right? So often, we muddle through and don't consult the manual and end up in a mess, or only partly reaching our potential. Your Heavenly Father is where you begin. Seek Him, pray and ask Him what your purpose is.

As an image bearer of God, you can't know who you are or what your purpose is if you don't know the

One you're supposed to be becoming like. When God said, "It's not good for the man to be alone," he added, "*I will make a helper.*" That word is actually the Hebrew word *ezer*. Historically, we've narrowed the word *ezer* to mean wife and mother, to indicate that a woman's role is to take on supportive duties for the husband. But when God declared that, they were in Eden. The man didn't have a house, laundry, or meals that needed to be prepared. So what is she helping him with?

You see, you don't have to be married. He created all women as *ezers*. So little girls are *ezers*. And elderly women in nursing homes are *ezers*. It's God's calling for us. It starts when we're born. It's not something you can lose, and it's not something that you have to wait for to begin. It's your whole life.

Women we're always fighting battles. We fight with and for ourselves; we fight battles for

our children and communities. We know we're warriors. And it's good that we're warriors with men, not against them. These women throughout Scripture—Ruth, Naomi, Deborah, Mary of Nazareth—they were warriors. They were standing up for the kingdom; they were doing the hard things God called them to do. That gives us a handle on our purpose, and nothing can take that away.

You are God's image bearer and you're an *ezer* warrior and God created men and women to be His A team—to get the Kingdom built, then all these things mean it isn't possible for you to live an insignificant life.

You may never have the significance that others recognise, but look at Ruth and Naomi and the huge things that were going on in their little world. You never know...you might be the one!

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

NIV



What are some misconceptions that you've had about your role as a woman in your home and in society?

- How do some of the roles you have in your life benefit the Kingdom of God?



GENESIS 2:18



WHAT'S MY PURPOSE?

Why are we here? Do I have a unique purpose for being on this planet? What is the meaning of life? Whether we're followers of Jesus or not, these are some of the biggest and deepest, most impactful questions we will ever ask, yet questions that aren't always thought about enough. Trust me... try asking one of these to your schoolmates early on a Monday morning and just watch their baffled faces!

Think about the average person's life. Go to school... work hard.... get good grades... get a good job... work hard from 9 to 5... retire.... None of these are bad things, but aren't we made for so much more?

The truth is, these are questions we just don't have the answer to. Yep... we as humans don't have the answers to these huge questions about our purpose. We must go to our creator to discover what he created us for!

EPHESIANS 2:10

For we are God's
workmanship,
created in Christ
Jesus to do good
works,
which God prepared
in advance for us
to do.
NIV

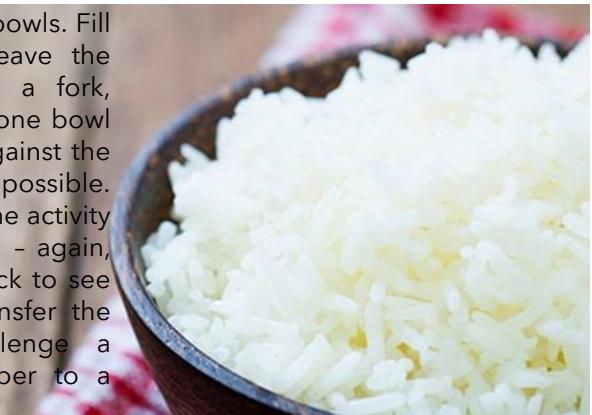
"Before I formed
you in the womb I
knew you, before
you were born I
set you apart; I
appointed you as a
prophet to the
nations."

NIV

JEREMIAH 1:5

THE RICE RACE

Take two equal sized bowls. Fill one with rice and leave the other empty. Using a fork, transfer the rice from one bowl to the other, racing against the clock to do it as fast as possible. Now try doing this same activity but with a tablespoon - again, racing against the clock to see how fast you can transfer the rice. Why not challenge a family / group member to a 'rice race'?



Think about the utensils you used with the rice in the activity at the start. How does this relate to purpose, and what the utensils were intended to be used for?

- Have you ever thought much about what your purpose is? If so, what conclusions have you come to so far?
- Do you think God has a specific purpose for your life? Do you think His purpose for you could be better than your own?
- How has God created you uniquely to others around you? How might this affect the purpose He has for you?
- Look up Jeremiah 1:5 and Ephesians 2:10 in the bible... Discuss what this reveals to you about the purpose God gives us.



WHERE DO I BELONG?



Each person has great value to God. The purpose for every follower of Jesus is to be used by God and to be a Godly influence in the lives of others. God has given His children gifts to help others to see that He exists and He wants them to be a member of His family. We are to trust and obey God even when we don't understand our circumstances.



- Use a puzzle (floor size would be best).
- Give each family member a piece of puzzle.
- Let them look at their individual piece. Talk about how with just our one piece of puzzle .

We can't see what the whole puzzle will look like when put together.

We can see bits and pieces of what might be the picture from our piece but as each of us begin to assemble the puzzle with our piece we see the bigger picture. This puzzle is like God's plan for each of our lives. We only know such a small piece of God's bigger plan. When we are obedient and faithful to what God has asked us to do, He uses us to be a part of His bigger picture.

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT MY PURPOSE

- 1 I have been uniquely designed for a purpose.
Psalm 139:14-16
- 2 I have been appointed and purposefully planted by God.
John 15:16
- 3 God is continually working out His plans for my life.
Psalm 138:8
- 4 God had me in mind before I was born.
Jeremiah 1:5
- 5 I was saved for a purpose.
2 Timothy 1:9
- 6 I am confident that the Holy Spirit will reveal my purpose to me.
1 Corinthians 2:9-12



WRITE OR DRAW YOUR ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION

I think I am special because





Colour and memorise
Jeremiah 1:5

BEFORE I SHAPED YOU IN THE WOMB,
I knew all about you.
Before you saw the light of day,
I had holy plans for you:
A prophet to the nations
THAT'S WHAT I HAD IN MIND FOR YOU.

JEREMIAH 1:5 (The Message)

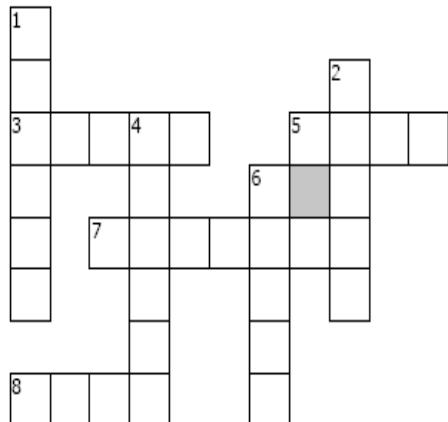


The Call of Jeremiah

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Jeremiah 1:4-10 (NIV)

- What does the word "appointed" mean?
- Do you know what God appointed you to do?



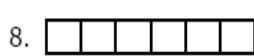
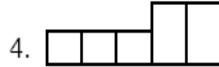
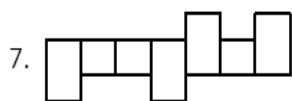
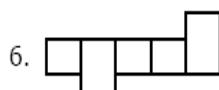
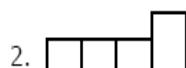
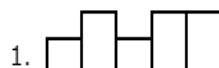
ACROSS

3. To utter words with the mouth; to talk
5. To be brought into life by birth
7. A person who speaks for God
8. Something said; a remark, or comment

DOWN

1. To save or set free
2. The body opening through which we take in food
4. To be filled with fear
6. A very young person

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.

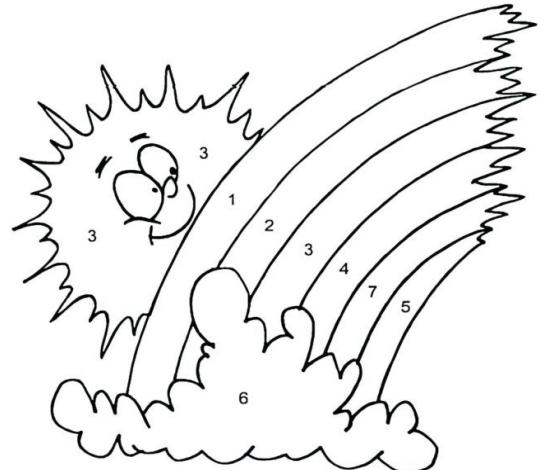


born
speak

child
prophet

afraid
mouth

word
rescue



1 = orange 5 = lime green
2 = hot pink 6 = powder blue
3 = yellow 7 = red
4 = royal blue

COLOR IN THE WORDS



before I
CREATED
you in the
womb,
I KNEW YOU.

- JEREMIAH 1:5





[Verse 1]

You're the God of new beginnings, the giver of new starts

You're the God of healing, all the broken hearts

You take our weakness, and you give us your strength

You've replaced our failures, by your unforced grace

[Chorus]

With all that I am, and all that I do

I lay it all down, to worship you

With all that I am, and all that I do

My purpose is to worship you

[Verse 2]

God from the beginning, you've known me from the start

Created in wonder, your hands formed my heart

To be your extension, your hands and your feet

Declaring your glory, for all the world to see

[Bridge]

Let all the earth, sing of all your goodness

(goodness)

Let every voice, lift the name of Jesus (Jesus) x4

Grace Life Worship is a community of **worship** leaders and song writers whose purpose is to pursue the presence of God. They believe that their **worship** has the power to bring heaven to earth and change **lives**, not only in their local church but the global community.

SONG LIST

NOT GIVIN' UP

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JiKKY2gf1k>

NOBODY LIKE YOU

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V6qK1e6gl2w>

LIFE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VVHKGrfFkEk>

MORE THAN CONQUERORS

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQZqnyHgiU>

I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.

PSALM 57:2

Can you possibly make a list of as many songs as you can with the message being PURPOSE?



PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER



Lord, I thank You that I am created and anointed for Your specific purpose. Thank You that You have empowered and equipped me with all I need to fulfil my purpose. I ask that You guide and direct me as I surrender to the purpose You have for me. Grant that I will confidently pursue the things You have uniquely crafted and called me to do and that I will faithfully serve my purpose throughout my lifetime. I come against any of Satan's schemes that will try to keep me from following Your purpose for me and may Your purpose for me be done in Jesus name. AMEN!



Thank You faithful God that You have blessed me and for the things that You are teaching me. I pray that You will help me to use my circumstances and situations, my gifts and talents for your purpose and glory. I ask You to use me in mighty ways and help me to pursue my purpose boldly and in love. Help me Lord to follow Your purpose for me by seeking You and being filled with Your Spirit. Grant Lord that my motives in fulfilling my purpose will be to earn Your approval and not man's. in Jesus name. AMEN!



Thank You heavenly Father that I am created for a purpose. Fill me with Your Spirit to share the Gospel and my own God stories fearlessly. Help me to shine my light for Your glory and bear fruit as I follow the purpose You have for me. May I use the gifts You gave me faithfully in Jesus name. AMEN!

OUTREACH



Now that we've all realised that we are so much more than what we do, why don't you find at least one person outside of your household, ask them about their passions and the things they're good at outside of their work. Encourage and help them see that there is so much more to them. If each person you do this with, pays it forward and so on, imagine what massive transformations will take place in our communities and beyond.





Pretty awesome, right? We can't even imagine what kinds of epic things God is going to use us to do when we serve Him in obedience. And I'm sure we all have pretty big imaginations.

Seriously, serving Jesus and being professional devil butt-kickers happens to be the best and highest paying job in the world with the most amazing benefits and rewards. Everyone thinks that if you serve Jesus, life will be hard and boring. But actually, if you serve the devil, life is going to be hard.

Jesus said, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? ... isn't it **hard** for you to kick against the pricks?" (Acts 9:4-5) It's not hard to serve the Lord. It's hard NOT to serve the Lord. Without Jesus, your life is going to be pretty miserable... and so will your eternity!



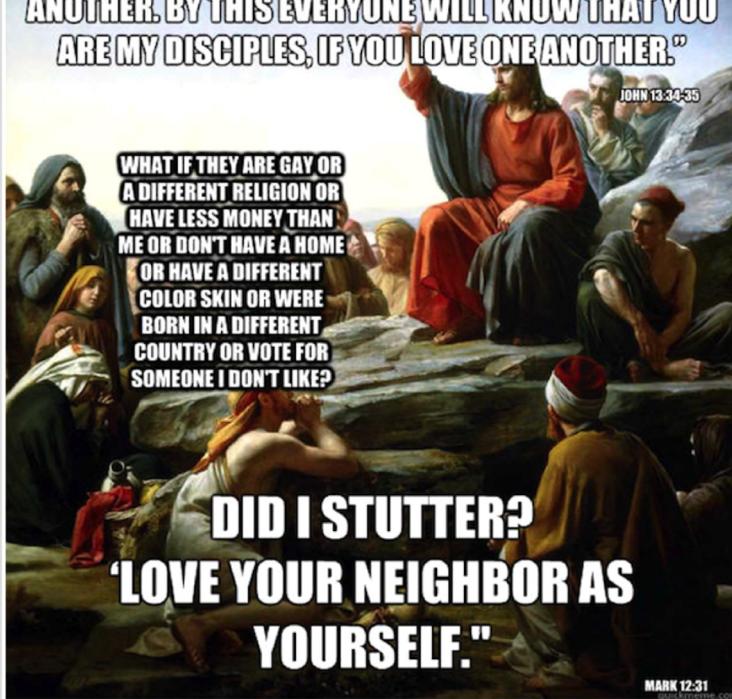
Crack It Up



There was a preacher who fell in the ocean and he couldn't swim. When a boat came by, the captain yelled, "Do you need help, sir?" The preacher calmly said "No, God will save me." A little later, another boat came by and a fisherman asked, "Hey, do you need help?" The preacher replied again, "No God will save me."

Eventually the preacher drowned & went to heaven. The preacher asked God, "Why didn't you save me?" God replied, "Fool, I sent you two boats!"

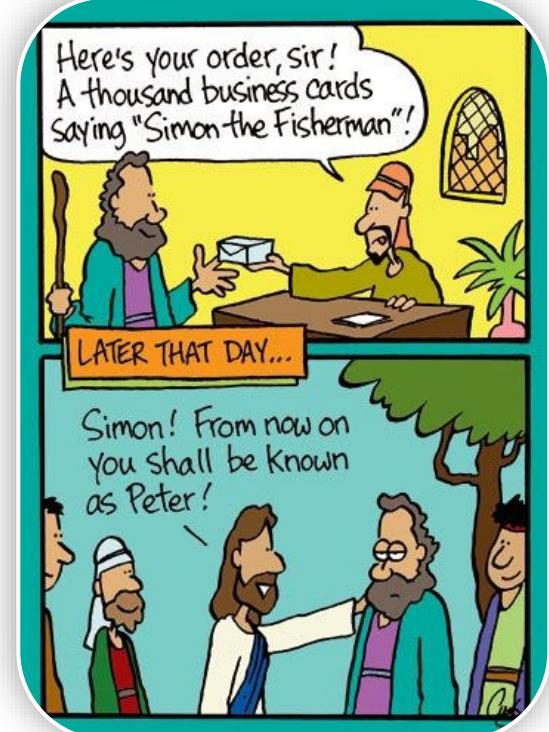
**"A NEW COMMAND I GIVE YOU: LOVE ONE ANOTHER.
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU, SO YOU MUST LOVE ONE
ANOTHER. BY THIS EVERYONE WILL KNOW THAT YOU
ARE MY DISCIPLES, IF YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER."**



YOU MEAN TO TELL ME



**Here's your order, Sir!
A thousand business cards
Saying "Simon the Fisherman"!**



"A joyful heart shall do good like a medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones."

PROVERBS 17:22



A bus full of ugly people had a head on collision with a truck. When they died, God granted all of them one wish. The first person said, "I want to be gorgeous." God snapped his fingers and it happened. The second person said the same thing and God did the same thing. This went on and on throughout the group. God noticed the last man in line was laughing hysterically. By the time God got to the last ten people, the last man was laughing and rolling on the ground. When the man's turn came, he laughed and said, "I wish they were all ugly again."

Parent: We should pray before our meal

Me: Okay

Parent: You pray

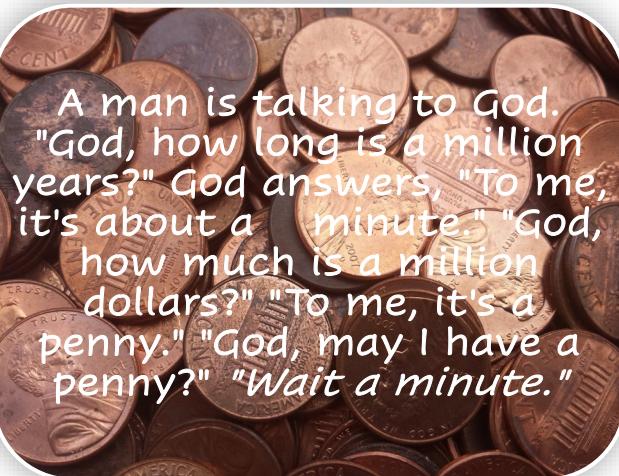
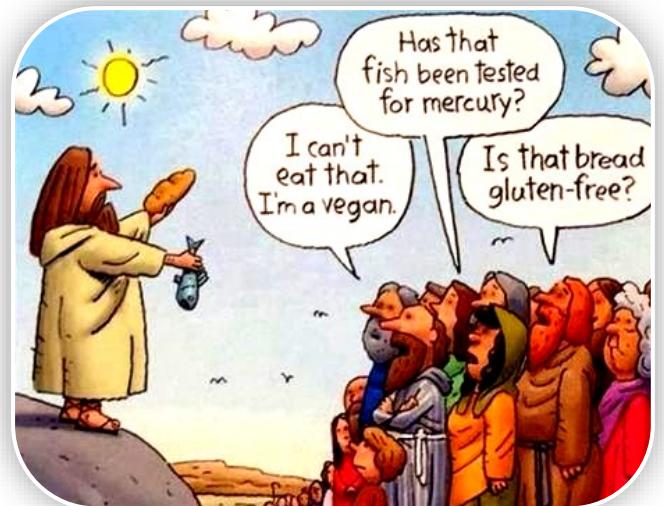
Me:



SO TODAY AT CHURCH A GUY IN A SUIT TRIED TO DROWN ME



AND I KID YOU NOT, MY FAMILY JUST STOOD THERE TAKING PICTURES



Q: What do you call a baptized Mexican?
A: "Bean" dipped.



If Mary had Jesus,
and Jesus is the lamb
of God, does that
mean Mary had a little
lamb?

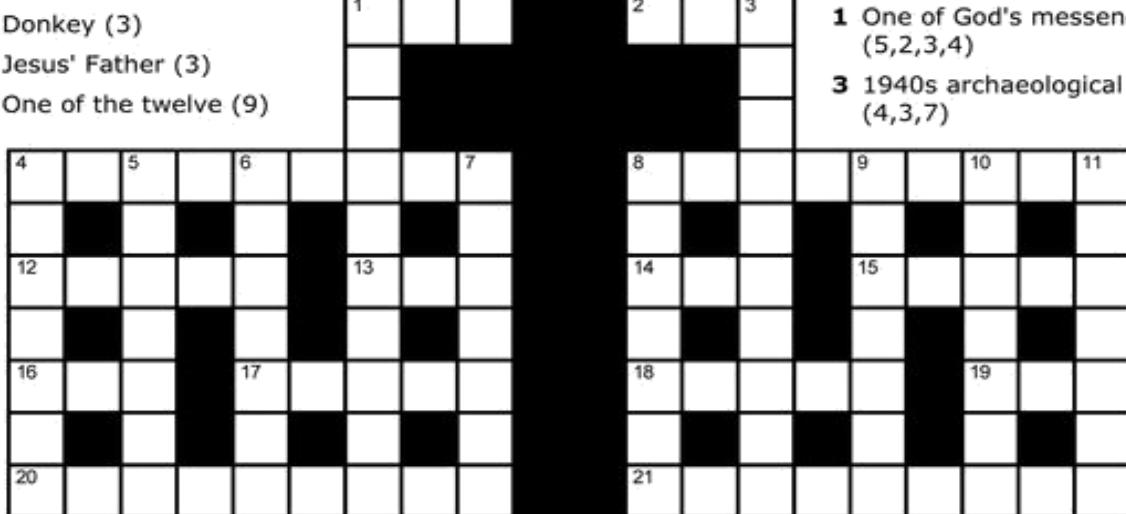
A TIME TO WEEP, AND A TIME TO LAUGH; A TIME TO MOURN, AND A TIME TO DANCE.
- Ecclesiastes 3:4



FAMILY CROSSWORD

Across

- 1** Donkey (3)
2 Jesus' Father (3)
4 One of the twelve (9)

Bible Crossword X

Down

- 1** One of God's messengers (5,2,3,4)
3 1940s archaeological find (4,3,7)

- 4** Tread down (7)
5 Father of Jonah (7)
6 Very salty water bordering Israel (4,3)
7 Defensive structures (11)
8 Refuges (11)
9 Dirty (7)
10 Devout (7)
11 Pieces of money (7)
24 Used to listen (3)
25 Used to see (3)
26 Positions (5)
27 Made available (7)
28 Snake (7)
29 Destroyed along with Gomorrah (5)
33 Finish (3)
34 Possess (3)
35 King of the Amalekites (4)
36 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
37 Almost sacrificed by Abraham (5)
38 Present (4)
41 Unfasten (4)
43 Fish traps (4)



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We would like to know about your experience throughout the magazine!

Can you fill out the survey below and either:-

- Snapshot it and email to us at info@wcc-church.com;
- WhatsApp the snapshot to us on 07407 631458 or 07470 732941

Please can you identify how much you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements	PLEASE TICK THE APPROPRIATE BOX				
	1 Strongly Disagree	2 Disagree	3 Neutral	4 Agree	5 Strongly Agree
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The Magazine kept my family and I engaged					
This Magazine has helped my household engage with each other					
I feel a deeper connection with God, based on the content in the Magazine					
I can discuss the Topic(s) covered with someone outside my family confidently					
I am happy to suggest topics for discussion in subsequent editions					
I am eager to complete the outreach suggestions					
I look forward to receiving monthly editions of this type of Magazine					
I am happy to recommend this Magazine to my family and friends					

What suggestions could you make to improve the Magazine?

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WEEK THREE

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

JESUS CHRIST

THE IDENTITY OF CHRIST

JESUS IS GOD

Deity is the only explanation for all that He was and all that He did.

He was pre-existent with the Father. "The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made" ([John 1:2, 3](#), KJV). (Also see [John 17:5](#) and [Colossians 1:17](#).)

JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD

"He...said also that God was His Father, making himself equal with God" ([John 5:18](#), KJV).

Peter confessed: "And we believe and are sure that Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" ([John 6:69](#), KJV). Jesus affirmed: "I and my Father are one" ([John 10:30](#), NIV).

JESUS IS SINLESS

Jesus challenged His enemies: "Which of you convinced me of sin?" ([John 8:46](#), KJV).

Peter testified: "...Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth" ([1 Peter 2:21, 22](#), KJV).

Paul stated: "For He...made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him" ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#), KJV).

JESUS FORGIVES SIN

The Scribes said: "Who can forgive sins but God only?" ([Mark 2:7](#), KJV).

Jesus said: "But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins..." ([Matthew 9:6](#), KJV). (Also see [John 8:11](#).)

Peter wrote: "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose stripes ye were healed" ([1 Peter 2:24](#), KJV).

JESUS IS THE MESSIAH

Jesus fulfilled the prophecy through His death on the cross in Isaiah 53.

[Luke 4:18](#).

JESUS IS OUR REDEEMER

Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for Himself a people that are His very own, eager to do what is good. Titus 2:14

JESUS IS OUR DELIVERER

If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. John 8:36

JESUS IS HOLY

Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep [\[d\]](#) through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are . John 17:11



THE IDENTITY OF CHRIST



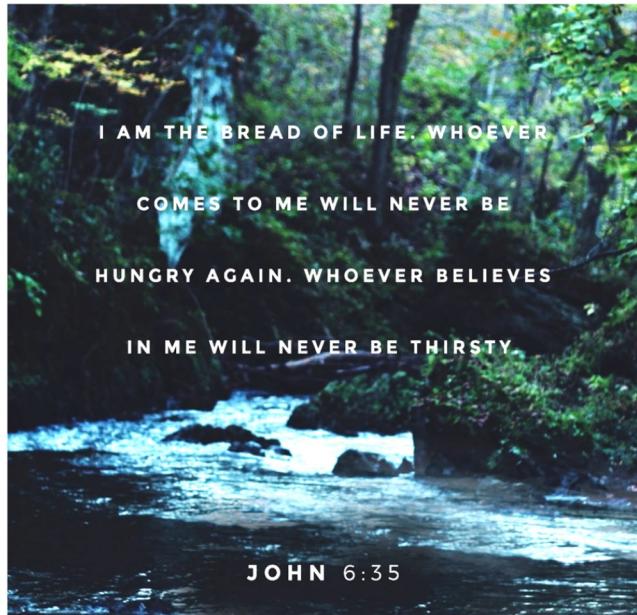
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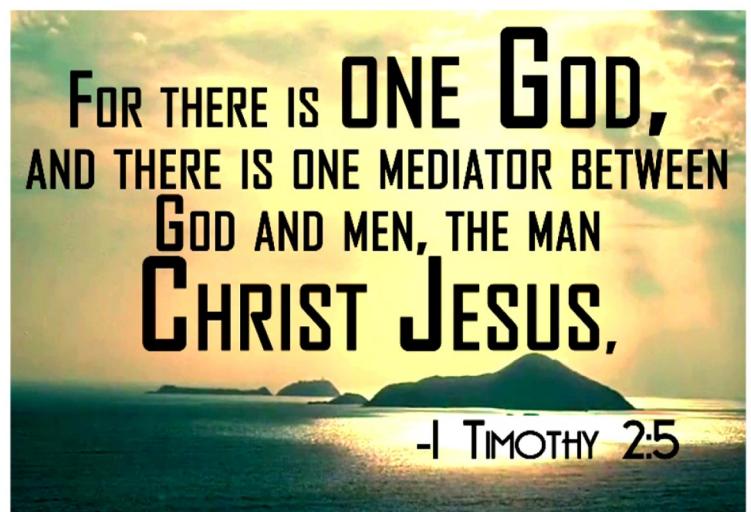
How many other aspects of Christ's Identity have you noticed in this video.



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Share the aspects of Christ's Identity with your partner / family / friends and testify to Christ working in your life - Testimony builds Faith & Encourages others to seek God for themselves.



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The Identity of Christ



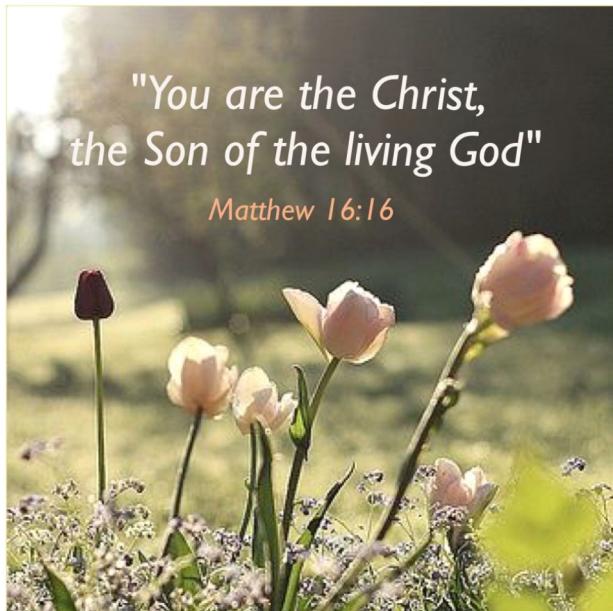
Ladies, make a list of the Identity of Christ
Who you see Him as!

Then watch this video and compare your list -
Who is Jesus? <https://youtu.be/8kLvWZ-DG6s>

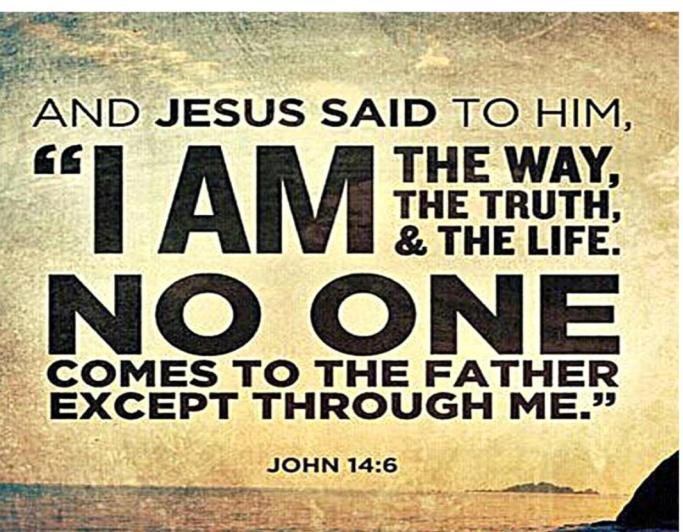
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THE IDENTITY OF CHRIST

As a group, spend one minute writing down as many nicknames as you can of people you know. Afterwards, discuss:



- Which are the funniest?
- Which are the most random?
- Which are the most accurate at describing the person?

Notice how many nicknames tell us something about who the person is or what they're known for? This wasn't much different when Jesus was around. Thomas was known as 'doubting Thomas' when he questioned Jesus' resurrection. Jesus even nicknamed two of His disciples 'Sons of Thunder' due to their fiery

temper! Even Jesus himself has alternative names that tell us something about who He is. It's thought that Jesus has over 200 'nicknames' in the bible, but this week we're going to think about just three.

BREAD OF LIFE

- Look up John 6:35 in a bible... What is Jesus telling us about Himself with this nickname?
- What practical things could we do each day to spiritually feed on the 'bread of life'?



LAMB OF GOD

- Look up John 1:29 in a bible... Think about how Jesus chose to give up his life like a sacrificial lamb so we could all receive life. Why do you think Jesus chose to do this?
- What does this tell us about the character of Jesus?

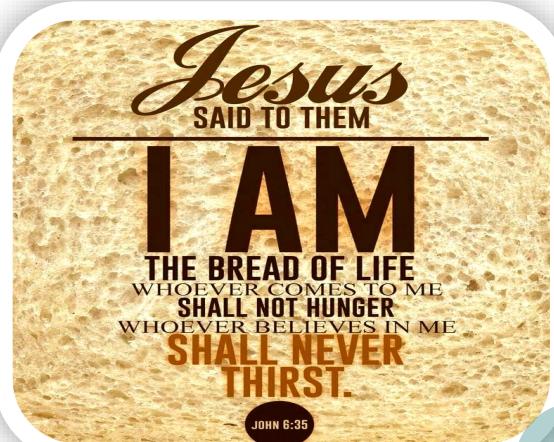


LIGHT OF THE WORLD

- Look up John 8:12 in a bible... Close your eyes for a moment and reflect on this verse. What (if any) images come into your mind as you think of Jesus being the light of the world?
- Is there any area of your life that you feel are still in spiritual darkness? Invite God to shine His 'light' into every aspect of you to expose anything He may want you to surrender to Him.



This is just a glimpse of who Jesus really is. To understand Him even more, check out the gospels, which tell so much about the life He lived and His true Character.



The Identity of Christ

 Ask your family some questions and try making sense of :-

1. Who Jesus is?
2. What was Jesus's name as a child?
3. Who is Jesus the Son of God?



Watch this video

<https://youtu.be/qH5HIPI0hRo>

Could you think of a few sentences (or write down some) of how you could talk to your friends about Jesus and who He is?



 **Think** of other questions you would like to investigate as a family project.

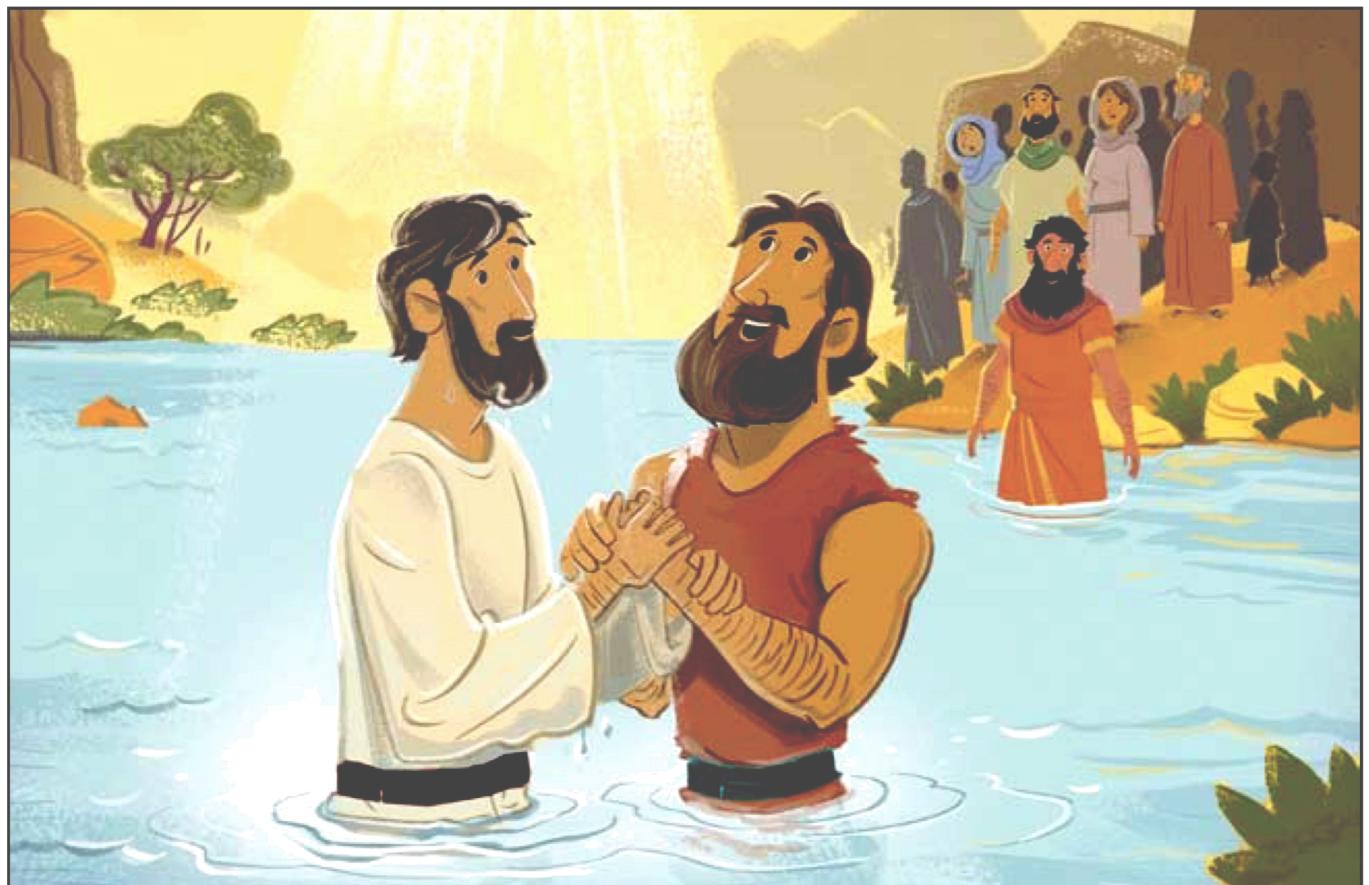
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Jesus' Baptism Spot the Differences

Compare the picture on the top with the picture on bottom. Circle the 11 things that are different.



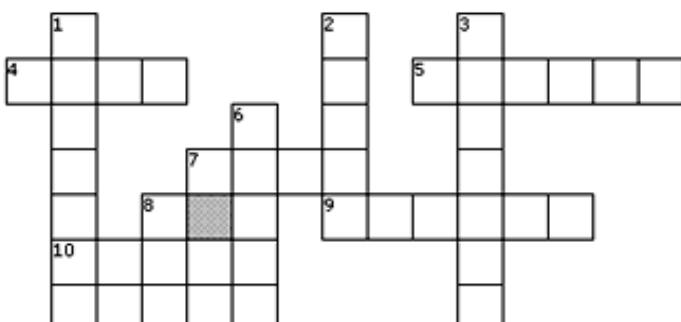
WORD SEARCH

**THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON, IN WHOM
I AM WELL PLEASED.**

MATTHEW 3:17

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N	F	I	T	N	D	J	G	Q	F	G	H	D	N	R
S	P	O	O	L	O	C	U	S	T	S	O	N	T	M
S	L	C	M	I	F	L	R	Q	F	A	G	B	S	N
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J	N	Y	M	Z	U	J	N	J	M	A	O	M	Z	M
N	O	H	B	L	S	I	T	S	P	J	Q	U	Y	F

You can find words going up and down. Left and right. Backwards and forwards. And diagonally.



ACROSS

4. Name of the man who baptized Jesus.
5. The river where Jesus was baptized.
7. The Spirit came down from heaven like a ____.
9. To turn away from sin.
10. What was heard when Jesus was baptized.

DOWN

1. To pardon for sins.
2. The liquid used to baptize someone.
3. To admit that you have done wrong.
6. A sticky, sweet fluid made by bees.
8. To break one of God's commandments.



What a Beautiful Name

HILLSONG WORSHIP

What hides in the name of Jesus?

The name of Jesus encompasses more than we can hope or imagine—more beauty, more wonder, more power.

Most of the song “*What A Beautiful Name*” was penned in a glorified cubicle in the suburbs of Sydney over a few days in December 2015. From there we spent months crafting the lyrics to riff on our core scriptures – Hebrews 1:1-4 and Colossians 1:15-20, 26-27 – yet be simple enough to make sense on a first reading.

Hebrews 1:1-4 expresses with clarity and conciseness the supremacy of Jesus Christ – the radiance of God’s glory, the exact expression of His being, the creative conduit of His power. Jesus is God’s Word: powerful, authoritative and utterly supreme. He is the wonder of salvation, who reconciled us to God.

“*In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son*” (Hebrews 1:1-2, NIV)

To know God and to worship

Him (“to enjoy Him forever”) is the most fundamental reason for our existence. As Jesus reveals the great mysteries of God, we come to know more of who God is, glimpsing new facets of His beauty, wonder and power.

“**Beauty**” evokes the tenderness of His love and the sweetness of His presence. “**Wonder**” speaks to our gratitude for salvation, awe at the lengths of His sacrifice. “**Power**” affirms His supremacy and Sovereignty—an exhortation to remember our access to the power of God in every situation, as we call upon and declare the Name of Jesus.

What a beautiful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus

Jesus has the Name above all others. Anything that we can name - from our greatest triumphs to our greatest challenges—comes under the authority of His Name. This song confesses that no greater beauty or source of wonder exists outside of Jesus, “*the radiance of God’s glory*” (Hebrews 1:3). The song is also a statement that Jesus has no rival or equal. His power is unmatched.

Perhaps some of us understand God loves us through the death

and resurrection of Jesus, but haven’t grasped His power, ability and will to move strongly in our present circumstances. Or perhaps, we understand God as the supreme, omnipotent Deity He is, but have never known Him close and tender, as a friend acquainted with the depths of our humanity, knowing our flaws cannot perturb His love.

Our prayer for this song is that we can all enter into a deeper, more lateral, revelation of the person of Jesus Christ—the epitome of beauty.



BROOKE LIGERTWOOD & BEN FIELDING

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=nQWFzMvCfLE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQWFzMvCfLE)



PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER



JESUS, You are called "the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father" and "Emmanuel" , God with us. You are The Lord , Jehovah, our Righteousness, the Son of God.

You are eternal, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent and immutable. You are equal with God the Father. I worship You my Lord and my God. May the revelation of Who You are be a truth that this world cannot deny. AMEN.



JESUS, you performed works which only God can do. You are Creator. You are the upholder of all things. You forgive our sins. You raise the dead and execute judgment on the wicked.

JESUS, You and the Father are One. You are truly the Son of God. To know You is to know God, to see You is to see God, to receive You is to receive God, to believe in You is to believe in God and to honour You is to honour God! AMEN.



Dear Jesus, thank You for who You are and the love that you have for me. Thank You for Your sacrifice on the cross that I may be reconciled to God the father. I pray that as I continue to walk with You daily, that You will reveal more of Yourself to me. I acknowledge that You are God and Lord eternally. May the entire earth receive the truth that You are supreme over all. I pray this in Your name Jesus. AMEN.



Dear Jesus, I know that You are God. I know that You love me just as God the Father loves me. I want to know you more. Thank you for loving, guiding and protecting me. I feel safe knowing that You are always watching over me. I love you for being kind and good towards your children. AMEN.



Using text messaging, WhatsApp and other social media platforms, why don't you ask people these series of questions

- Have you ever heard the name "Emmanuel"?
- Whose name is it and what does it mean to you?

Feel free to add your own questions as you see fit. Try it and see how many responses you get.



Jesus RESTORER OF HOPE Lord of Lords
THE WORD Holy One
Bread of Life Master BRANCH
STAR ALPHA & OMEGA Teacher
Dayspring Prince of Peace
Son of Man COMFORTER
everLASTING SHILOH Anchor
FATHER The Almighty Light
Counselor TRUE VINE of the
MESSIAH THE LIFE HIGH World
Giver of Life PRIEST
& Blessings THE BELOVED N
FAITHFUL & TRUE WITNESS Shield ROCK
Mediator Wonderful Counselor
The Resurrection King of Kings
Immanuel The Amen
LAMB OF GOD Healer I AM Servant
Good Shepherd Saviour LIVING WATER
Advocate Redeemer
The Way, the Truth & the Life



WEEK FOUR

Those who walk with God always reach
their destination.

HENRY FORD

WALKING IN CHRIST'S IDENTITY

Begin embracing your identity in Christ today!

SPEND TIME IN DAILY DEVOTION

Make it a priority today that you will begin each day with prayer and Bible reading. If you don't know where to begin reading in your Bible, you can download a Bible App, which are available in your iPhone Store or Play Store. In them you will find a reading plan, pages to journal through the Bible and some have prayer journals.

MEMORISE THE WORD OF GOD

Not just random verses throughout the Bible, but whole passages of scripture. As you memorize the Word of God, it begins to take root in your life and slowly change your thought patterns and world view. David said that "hiding God's Word in our heart", or scripture memorization, keeps us from sinning.

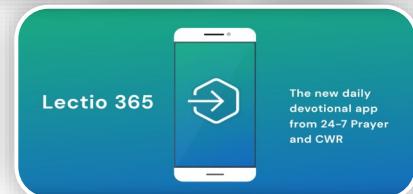
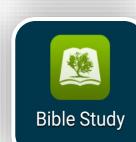
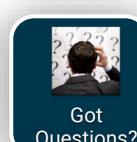
MEDITATE ON THE WORD OF GOD

Meditating on the Word of God not only fills your mind with God's Word, it helps the truths of God's word to go down into the deep recesses of our mind and heart and start renewing them, as Paul urged in Romans. *"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."*

OUT WITH THE OLD & IN WITH THE NEW

Every time the enemy brings up something from your past, begin speaking out loud "I never did that. The old man died and I am a new creation in Jesus Christ!" The old man is gone and this new man has never been hurt or wounded." Each time you fail and you automatically think, "You're stupid! You dummy! You idiot!" replace those thoughts with verses from Psalm 139 - you are wonderfully made!

SOME BIBLE APPS TO LOOK INTO



The new daily devotional app from 24-7 Prayer and CWR





My Identity in Christ

I am joined to Christ by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit who is in me.

Romans 5:5; Romans 8:9; Titus 3:6;
1 Corinthians 12:13

I am in the Spirit, a new regenerate man, and I am no longer in the flesh.

Romans 8:9

I am dead and risen with Him, free from slavery to sin, from the law, and my old self.

Romans 6:6; Colossians 2:20;
Colossians 3:1-3

I am seated with Him on the throne of the Father, far above all demonic powers and will come again with Him in glory.

Ephesians 1:19-20; Ephesians 2:5-6;
Colossians 3:1-4

I am a SAVED sinner, no longer the old person I once was.

Romans 6:6; Colossians 3:9-10

I am a saint, a set apart and holy one since Christ is in me.

Philippians 4:21; 1 John 3:1
Romans 8:14

I am justified, credited as obedient and righteous because of Christ.

Romans 3:24; Romans 5:17-19

I am not condemned or accused, for God does not motivate me with guilt.

Romans 8:1; Romans 8:33-34

I am a child of my Father, a beloved son of God.

John 1:12; 1 John 3:1; Romans 8:14

I am accepted and beloved.

Ephesians 1:6





My Identity in Christ

Ladies, if you're a Christian, your identity encompasses all the abundance of being a beloved child of God. Here's how you can start living your life fully in Christ, keeping in mind that your identity is found in Christ. Use this list of things God calls you and how He identifies you to remind yourself who you are in Christ.

You are a SAINT

Ephesians 2:19; Colossians 1:11-13;
Romans 8:27; Ephesians 3:17

You are BLESSED

Psalm 1:1-3; 2 Corinthians 9:8

You are APPRECIATED

1 John 3:1; Zephaniah 3:17

You are SAVED

Romans 10:9-10; 2 Corinthians 5:21;
John 5:24

You are RECONCILED

Romans 5:10-11; Colossians 3:13;
Ephesians 4:32

You are GIFTED

Ephesians 2:10; 1 Peter 4:10-11;
Romans 12:4-8

You are FORGIVEN

Ephesians 4:32; 1 John 1:9;
Psalm 103:11-12

You are ADOPTED

Romans 8:15-17; Galatians 3:26-29;
Ephesians 1:4-5

You are LOVED

Romans 8:37-39; 1 John 4:7-11

You are REWARDED

Colossians 3:23-24; Galatians 6:9

You are VICTORIOUS

1 John 5:4; John 16:33;
1 Corinthians 15:55-57

Stand Firm! Jesus has given you the power to ultimately overcome evil, sin, and death. Use the spiritual weapons at your disposal as a Christian (truth, righteousness, the Gospel, faith, salvation, scripture, prayer, and the strength to stand) in spiritual battles, trusting that you can always emerge victorious.⁴⁷





We all face many voices in our lives trying to tell us who we are - friends, teachers, bullies, parents, social media, the list goes on. Which voice do you listen to? It matters who we are allowing to define our identity. When we are in Christ we receive this entirely new identity... Chosen, loved, precious, forgiven, pure. This is how our heavenly Father defines us!

For some of us we may have the head knowledge of how God sees us, yet we still struggle to shake off some of those negative words that have been spoken over us in the past. We must truly believe what God says about us before we can begin walking in that identity!

- How would you describe yourself in three words?
- How would other people describe you?
- Are there any lies that have been said about you in the past that you're struggling to shake off?
- Think about what you may have read in the bible or heard people say at church... Who does God say we are?



How strongly do we believe these things that God says about us?

For each statement, give a rating between 0-10 (0 meaning we really don't believe it, 10 meaning we are fully confident that it is true, and live it out each day).

I AM:

GOD'S CHILD
Ephesians 1:3-8

A FRIEND OF CHRIST
John 15:15

A MEMBER OF CHRIST'S CHURCH
1 Corinthians 12:27

A CITIZEN OF HEAVEN
Philippians 3:20

GOD'S WORKMANSHIP
Ephesians 2:10

A NEW CREATION
2 Corinthians 5:17

A MINISTER OF GOD
2 Corinthians 5:18-21

JUSTIFIED AND RIGHTEOUS
Romans 5:1

SECURE IN HIS HAND
John 10:28

FREE FROM CONDEMNATION
Romans 8:1

Sometimes we say things we believe... other times we must say things UNTIL we believe them!

To help us walk confidently in our identity in Christ, we challenge you to read each one of these statements aloud every morning this week!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7-aKlyoGsz8>

Why not watch this video with
one of your friends and
discuss it afterwards.



My Identity in Christ



By now we should know about our own identity and Christ's identity but today we want to look at OUR identity in Christ – what does He say about us and how do we live our lives with what He says rather than others.

Take a look at this video object lesson to help you understand your identity in Christ
<https://youtu.be/lZJzWFmC6-8>

Memorise this scripture



Each family member or friend has to draw another person (in the home) and add some words that describe that person. Then see if each one of you can guess from the picture and words who it is?

I AM GOD'S CHILD, ADOPTED INTO HIS FAMILY

AS HIS VERY OWN. (EPHESIANS 1:5)

I AM A MEMBER OF CHRIST'S BODY. (1 COR. 12:27)

I AM CREATED IN CHRIST'S LIKENESS. (GENESIS 1:26-27)

I AM FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE. (PSALM 139: 13-14)

I AM CHOSEN BY GOD AND CALLED HIS FRIEND. (JOHN 15:16)

I AM THE HOME OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO LIVES IN ME

(1 COR. 6:19) I AM FORGIVEN. (1 JOHN 1:9) I AM HOLY. (EPH. 1:4, 1 COR. 3:17)

I AM BLAMELESS IN GOD'S SIGHT (EPH. 1:4)

I HAVE BEEN BOUGHT WITH A PRICE. (1. COR. 6:20)

You did not choose me
I chose you & appointed you to go and bear fruit
fruit that will last
so that whatever you ask in my name
the Father will give you
John 15:16

GOD MADE EACH OF US UNIQUE
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Watch this video



Colour and memorise

 John 15:1

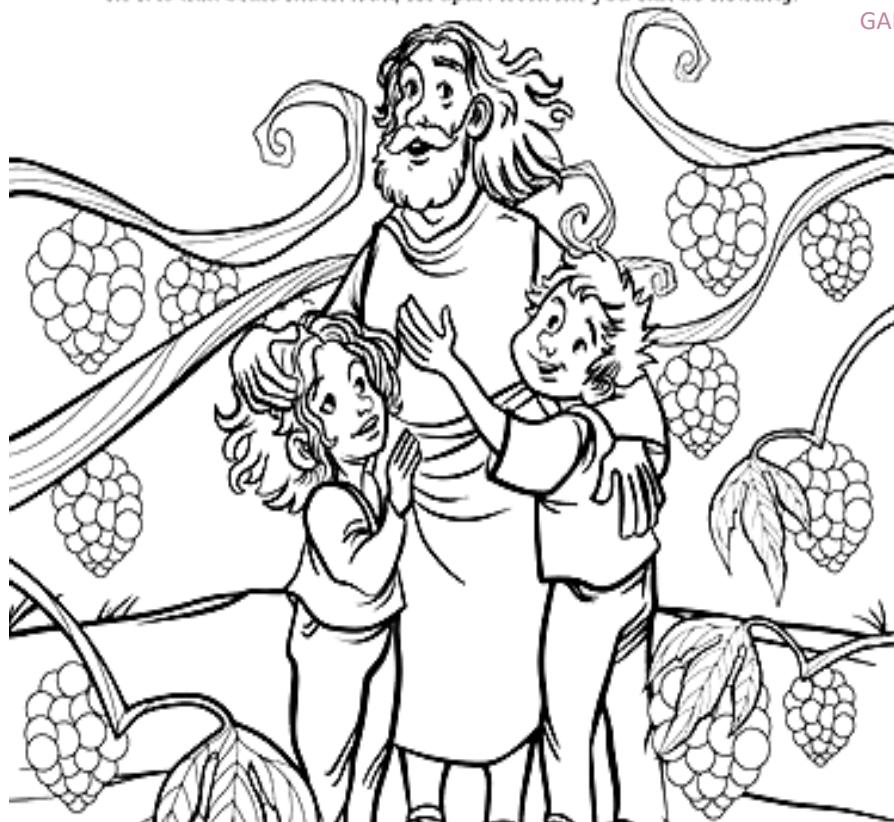
I AM THE
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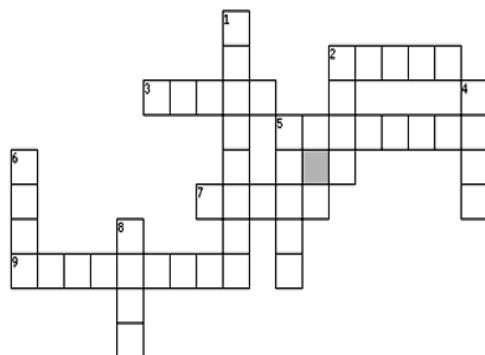
John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.



Crossword

John 15:1-8 (NIV)

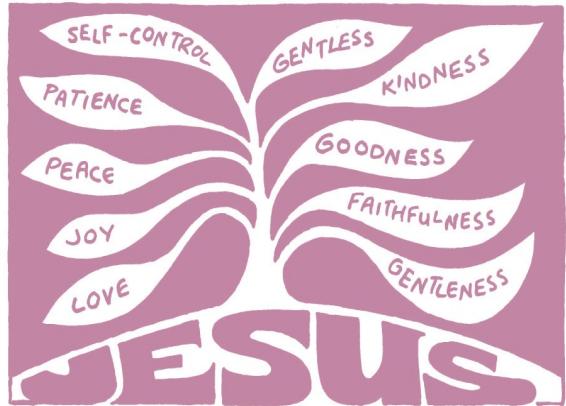


ACROSS

2. The part of a vine or tree which is eaten
3. Not dirty
5. A person who works with plants and flowers
7. To toss something through the air
9. Those who follow Jesus

DOWN

1. Arms that grow out from the trunk of a tree
2. Burning flame
4. The opposite of false
5. Praise or honor
6. Something that is spoken
8. A plant that climbs or creeps along the ground



The Fruit of the Spirit that comes from Jesus

GALATIANS 5:22-23



HOLD ONTO JESUS





IDENTITY

- How many titles in this fingerprint can you find?
 - Write them down on a page and discuss them with your family.



Who You Say I Am

Hillsong Worship

Who does God say you are?

As believers, this is such a monumental concept to grasp and to meditate on. Our identity resides in knowing ourselves in Christ and living within the stability of knowing you are who God says you are. Who are you that God would want to rescue you? That He would choose to give up His life for you? That He wants to bless abundantly? Let's look at some declarations scripture makes over you.

I am born of God, and the evil one does not touch me (1 John 5:8)

I am complete in Him who is the Head of all principality and power (1 Colossians 2:10)

I am God's workmanship, created in Christ unto good news. (Ephesians 2: 10)

I am an ambassador for Christ (2 Corinthians 5: 20)

I am part of a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a purchased people (1 Peter 2 : 9)

I am greatly loved by God (Romans 1:7, Ephesians 2:4, Colossians 3:12, 1 Thessalonians 1:4)

That last statement can make your heart flip or your body feel like it's receiving a much-needed supernatural hug. You are G R E A T L Y loved by God. The God of all creation, the God of everlasting glory, the God who is and has everything loves YOU. He loves you G R E A T L Y.

Obviously, God thinks you're a pretty big deal. You're royalty, you're His workmanship, you are made complete in Him who has all power and authority. You were created to love, be loved. That makes YOU and all of the things God has created you to be important. God sees you as valid and needed.

"I am a child of God". We hear that phrase so often that we have become numb to its meaning and how it applies to our everyday lives. I once heard a professor say, "The stronger our understanding of our identity in Christ becomes, the more our self-worth grows".

We have times, when we are insecure, feel like we aren't good enough or able to take on big challenges. We feel like we are just another writer, worship leader, perhaps an unimportant and unneeded contribution to the creativity around us. You may ask hard questions like, "God can I really do this? I mean, I know you called me to it, but am I good enough? There are people all around who are so much better?" To which the Holy Spirit gently answers and says: "Just Stop!. Who are you?"

You are a child of God. If everything around you and about you changes, this is the one thing about yourself that will stay constant. If God says you'll do something big, if He says that you will be successful in something then guess what?—He

gave you those dreams, knowing that you WILL and CAN do it. We doubt ourselves and the power of God when we choose to put our faith in any of our self-schemas. When we lean on our own strengths, our personalities, or our own interests, we find that our self-worth is shaky and unstable. It's only when you allow yourself to rest in who you are in God that fear leaves and that annoying inner self-critic finally shuts its mouth.

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you." (John 15:16)

You are chosen by a God who loves you deeply. A God who is for you and is never against you. A God who has plans for you to prosper. A God who wants a relationship with you. A God who will never let you down.

We haven't covered all the declarations God makes over you by any means, but, we hope that some of these statements have resonated with you today. We hope they encouraged you and maybe inspire you to dive deeper into knowing yourself as who God declares you to be.





Thank You Jesus, that I am alive in Christ and complete in Him, Who is the head of all principality and power. I am free from the law of sin and death. I am far from oppression and fear does not and will not come near me. I am born of God and the evil one does not touch me. I have the Spirit of power and of a sound mind, as I have the mind of Christ. I have peace that passes all understanding. Greater is He that lives in me than he who lives in the world; therefore I can do all things through Christ, Who gives me strength. I have received the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus. I have power over the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means harm me. I will lack nothing because my God shall supply all my needs, according to His riches in glory. I am God's child for I am born again of the incorruptible seed of the Word of God, which lives and abides forever and I will show forth the praises of God, Who has called me out of darkness into the marvellous light. Lord please help me to begin and continue to see myself in the light of Your Word in Jesus name. AMEN!



DOORSTEP CONVERSATIONS

We are encouraging you to engage with your neighbours by doing what we call doorstep conversations. Due to social distancing you cannot enter their homes but you could knock on their doors and step back 2 metres and have a conversation. Especially with those neighbours that are lonely.

- Introduce Yourself
- Ask them how they are doing?
- Ask them if they need help with anything?
- What would they like you to pray for?



God loves me finds me precious & honors me

(Isaiah 43:4)

(Ephesians 1:6, 3:19, 1 John 3:2)

GOD KNOWS ALL THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT ME,
AND HAS ME, THE WAY THAT I AM, IN HIS PLAN

God sees me as **I am no longer condemned**
a new person

2 Corinthians 5:17

GOD HAS MADE ME,
HE THINKS ABOUT ME
AND CARES FOR ME,
HE HAS MADE ME A LITTLE
LOWER THAN HIMSELF
AND CROWNED ME WITH
GLORY AND MAJESTY

(PSALM 8:4,5)

**I AM NOW
ALIVE IN HIM**

1 JOHN 5:11; ROMANS 5:11

Romans 8:1,2

— 1 Peter 1:3 —

and a member
of His family

God has adopted me
as his child through Jesus

Ephesians 1:5, 6; Romans 8:14-16

I am a child of God, God's heir, and fellow-heir of Christ

God has always known me,
He has called me to become like Jesus

I HAVE BEEN RAISED UP

WITH CHRIST

AND AM SEATED WITH HIM IN HEAVEN

God has bought me, and I am now His temple - therefore I am to glorify Him

(1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

I AM GOD'S WORKMANSHIP,
CREATED TO DO GOOD
WHICH GOD HAS PREORDAINED

{EPHESIANS 2:10}

I am called to freedom,
to lovingly serve others

GOD SEES ME AS HOLY, I AM AT PEACE

BLAMELESS, WITH GOD

MADE COMPLETE LACKING NOTHING

ROMANS 5:1

COLOSSIANS 1:22; 2:6-10

BLESSING

Ephesians 1:3



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THURSDAYS DISCIPLESHIP on ZOOM

Girls @ 6.30pm–7.30pm

Boys @ 8pm–9pm

FRIDAYS SOCIAL HANGOUT on ZOOM

7pm–9pm

For more information email JARED at
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PRAYING TOGETHER AS A CHURCH

MEETING

Wednesdays @ 7pm on Zoom

MONDAY—WEDNESDAYS—FRIDAYS

3.30pm–5.30pm



~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ~

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(New name to be chosen by the children themselves)

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(To begin after Lockdown)

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Interactive Stories—Fun Games—Crafts—Snacks

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