

## **"Who Am I, Really?" (Edited Identity)**

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*At the core of identity is the question: "Who Am I?" We often try to define ourselves by various worldly standards and realms. However, true identity and significance can only be found in Christ for we were created by him, for him, and to enjoy him.*

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*Do we have identity possibilities today or replacements? (Rom 1:21-23)*

### **1) \_\_\_\_\_ We Seek To Find Identity (Substitutes)**

Identity starts with our worldview...

- Achievement (Ecc 1:14; 2:24)

What is the \_\_\_\_\_ of achievement as our identity?

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb 10:24-25 – not just about church attendance but our safeguards & relationship)
- Performance (Gal 1 – Holding to the “performance gospel”?)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Ecc 2:11)

The Result of Rejecting the Light & Having Darkened Hearts/Minds... (See Gen 1; Rom 1)

A) *We got lost in* \_\_\_\_\_.

B) *We found* \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Jn 2:16-17)

C) *We encountered* \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2) Who Identity Is Truly Found In ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) – See Rom 1:25

*Because the identity problem of today is fundamentally a worship problem, we must reorient our worship from self to God and start to...*

A) Worship God as \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen 1; Ps 139; Rom 1; Rev 4; Acts 17:25)

B) Worship God as \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 139)

C) Worship God as \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn 3:16; Col 1:13; Rom 3:23; 6:23; 8:29; Phil 1:6; Titus 2:14)

## 3) How God \_\_\_\_\_ Our Identity (Perspective)

In Christ, you are...

- Made in the image of God (Gen 1:27)
- Chosen, Exceedingly Loved, Accepted (Eph 1:4-5; 2:4-5; Rom 5:8; 8:38-39; 15:7)
- Redeemed & completely forgiven (Eph 1:7)
- Justified & now called saints (Rom 3:23-24; Phil 1:1)
- Clothed in the righteousness of Christ (Gal 3:27)
- Adopted (1 Jn 3:1)
- Free from the power of sin (Rom 8:1-2)
- Not an enemy but a friend (Rom 5:10; Jn 15:14-15)
- Died & raised with Christ to life (Gal 2:20; 1 Cor 15:22)
- Valued & given a mission (Eph 2:10; Mt 28:19-20; 2 Cor 5:20)
- Sealed & secure (Jn 10:28-29; Eph 1:13-14)

*\*\*See also EPHESIANS and “in Christ” statements!\*\**

***What did the Lord teach you this morning about LOVE? What adjustments to understanding or relational changes to you need to make? How will you respond to these chapters of Scripture today? This week? This month? This year?***