

Do you know who you are?

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Memory verse: Romans 5:8

but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1. I live out of my identity (my beliefs about myself).

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it. -Proverbs 4:23 (NIV)

For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. -2 Peter 1:7

I am _____

2. In Christ I have a wonderful new identity.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. -2 Cor 5:17

In Christ I am . . .

- **Beloved** (Romans 1:7)
- **Forgiven** (Hebrews 10:17)
- **Adopted** (Ephesians 1:5)
- **Chosen** (John 15:16)
- **Holy** (Ephesians 1:4)
- **Righteous** (Romans 3:22)
- **Eternal** (John 3:16)
- **Victorious** (1 Cor. 15:57)
- **Clean** (1 Cor. 6:11)
- **Pure** (Titus 1:5)
- **Strong** (2 Cor. 12:10)
- **Royal** (1 Peter 2:9)
- **Conqueror** (Romans 8:21)
- **New** (1 Peter 1:23)
- **Transformed** (2 Cor. 5:17)
- **Free** (Galatians 5:1)
- **Blessed** (Ephesians 1:3)
- **Treasured** (Malachi 3:17)
- **Saved** (Ephesians 2:8)
- **Redeemed** (1 Peter 1:18)
- **Whole** (Colossians 2:10)
- **Empowered** (Acts 1:8)
- **A saint** (1 Corinthians 1:2)
- **Secure** (Romans 8:38-39)
- **Called** (Romans 8:30)
- **Gifted** (1 Corinthians 12:7)
- **Rich** (Ephesians 1:18)

3. I don't always believe the truth about who I am.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? -1 Cor 3:16

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. -Zechariah 3:1

4. God is the best interpreter of my identity.

"My identity does not begin when I begin to understand myself. There is something previous to what I think about myself, and it is what God thinks of me." -Eugene Peterson

5. As my thoughts about my identity change, my life will change.

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. - Romans 12:2 (NIV)

God tells me . . .

- I am wonderfully made in God's image. (Genesis 1:26)
- I am hopelessly ruined in sin. (Romans 7:24)
- I am unconditionally loved in Jesus. (Romans 5:8)

Before I can understand who I am in Christ, I must understand who I am _____ from Christ.

Apart from Christ I am . . .

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| • Sinful (Romans 3:23) | • Unrighteous (Romans 3:10) |
| • An object of wrath (Eph. 2:3) | • Corrupt (Eph. 4:22) |
| • An enemy of God (Romans 5:10) | • Perishing (1 Cor. 1:18) |
| • Condemned (John 3:18) | • Enslaved to sin (John 8:34) |
| • Lost (Luke 19:10) | • Unclean (Isaiah 64:6) |
| • Separated from God (Eph. 4:18) | • Helpless (Romans 5:6) |
| • Hopeless (Eph. 2:12) | • Wretched (Romans 7:24) |
| • Spiritually blind (2 Cor. 4:4) | |

For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. -Revelation 3:17

I am more sinful than I ever dared believe & more loved than I ever dared hope.

"The gospel is this: We are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the very same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope." -Tim Keller

"Jesus Christ knows the worst about you. Nonetheless, He is the one who loves you most." -A.W. Tozer