



Worksheet

Identity in Christ

“Who am I?” is the question that everyone seems to want the answer to. We all want to know who we are and want to feel that we are known for something. We seek to find our identity in many different ways. Our jobs, hobbies, relationships, and even possessions can all be things that we look to for our identity. All of those things can be important, but they are not where we should find our identity as believers. Who or what are you listening to define your identity?

When you became a Christian, simply put your identity changed. 2 Corinthians 5:17 tells us that you have been made new through your relationship with Christ. Galatians 2:20 tells us that your old life is dead.

We need to remember that when we approach Scripture to learn who God is since the Bible is primarily a book about God not us. Jen Wilkin stated, “But we should find the definition of who we are in finding out Who God is. It is Who God is that then informs who we are and how we should live.”

We value that identity is an important topic so we have put together this resource. We encourage to continue to search Scriptures to learn more about the God who made you!

Genesis 1:27 “God created humankind and stamped us with his mark. He created us to bear his image, to be representatives in our working and playing and worship.” Jen Wilkin, In His Image

Genesis 1:26-27 "You are not valuable because of your stuff. You are not valuable because of your appearance. You are not valuable because of what you do. You are valuable because you were made in the image of God." Elizabeth Woodson for Proclaim Truth

Exodus 3:12,14 "He (God) didn't deal with Moses' insecurities by trying to change Moses's mind about what Moses could do. He dealt with Moses's insecurities by calling him to focus on what *God* is...on what *God* can do." JD Greear, Gospel-90 Devotional

We were dead in sin, but now we are "alive with the Messiah" (2:4)

We were separated from Christ, but now in Christ Jesus we "have been brought near" (2:13)

We were "foreigners," but now we are "fellow citizens" (2:19)

We were darkened in understanding,

but now we have "learned about the Messiah." We have put off the "old self" and put on the "new self" (4:20-24)

We were "darkness," but now we are "light in the Lord" (5:8) Christ-Centered Exposition Ephesians p.14

Ephesians 1:4-6. "If you've believed in Jesus through the work of the Spirit, then you can rest confidently in the truth of your identity—beloved child of the Almighty God. · Let those truths sink in: He wanted you. He delights in you. He loves you." ~Courtney Doctor, Identity Theft

Ephesians 2:8-10 "There are plenty of things to find our identity in, but ultimately, we are defined by our relationship to Christ. We are hidden in Him and made right with God because of His goodness to us." Mary Wiley, Everyday Theology

1 Peter 1:14-16 "Know your identity as a child of God. Peter reminds believers who they are before he calls them to action. In other words, holiness is action based on identity." Matt Blackwell-The Austin Stone

1 Peter 2:9 "This is our identity. This is our calling. Show the world the love of the Father, the healing and reconciling power of the Spirit, and the sacrificial servanthood of the Son in how you live." Gospel Fluency-Jeff Vanderstelt

Colossians 3:10 "This is the paradox of finding identity in Christ: In order to become our truest selves, in order to know ourselves, we must know Him." ~Hannah Anderson, Identity Theft

1 John 3:1 "Children. Of. God. Unfathomable, but true." - Courtney Doctor, Identity Theft pg 33

1 John 4:18 " The gospel frees you from living for the approval of others, because you've been fully approved by God in Christ." J.A. Medders, Gospel Formed pg. 153

Romans 8:1 "All of your hurts, hang-ups, disappointments, and struggles do not make up who you are. Only Jesus does. If you are in Christ, you are no longer defined by your sins, whether past, present, or future. Jesus gives you a new identity. - Gospel Formed, J.A. Medders p. 114

Hebrews 7:25 "Embrace your identity in the Gospel. You are beloved and accepted. Forgiven and free. Now and forever. With nothing to fear." J.D. Greear, 90 Day Gospel Devotional Day 86

Revelation 12:10 "Satan's primary temptation strategy is to try making you forget what God has said about you so you'll evaluate your standing before Him by some other criteria." JD Greear-Gospel: The 90-Day Devotional, pg.81

As a believer, we are called to reflect God's character to the world. Here are some verses that help us to think through who we are in Christ.

Be holy as He is Holy (1 Peter 1:16)

Forgive as Christ forgave you (Colossians 3:13)

Accept others as Christ accepted you (Romans 15:7)

Be merciful as your Father is merciful (Luke 6:36)

Live a life of love just as Christ loves us (Ephesians 5:2)

Live in the light, as your Father is Light (1 John 1:7)

Eric Geiger, Who you are in Christ, Identity

Hebrews 12: 2 "Look for your value and identity in Christ's performance—not your own—and nothing can shake you." Elizabeth Berry, Our Daily Grace Company

“So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a **son**, then an **heir** through God” Galatians 4:7

“See what kind of love the Father has given us, that we should be called **children of God**; and so we are” 1 John 3:1

“No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you **friends**, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.” John 15:15

2 Corinthians 3:18 “ And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.”

2 Corinthians 5:20 “Therefore, we are **ambassadors** for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”

Romans 8:29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be **conformed to the image of his Son**, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Ephesians 2:8-10 “ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For **we are his workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

Psalm 8:3-6 “When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
what is man that you are mindful of him,
and the son of man that you care for him?
Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honor.
You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under his feet,”

*You may also want to look at the Communicable Attributes Worksheet on the TLBP website!