

IDENTITY

Who are you?

A lie believed as truth will affect you as if it were true. - Craig Groeschel

What does it mean to identify with Jesus?

Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian.

Galatians 3:23-25 (NIV)

Before Jesus, their identity was in following the rules.

So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3:26-29 (NIV)

Now, our identity is in following Jesus.

TEACHING BIG IDEA

Jesus is the source of our identity as Christians.

We have the temptation to focus elsewhere about who we really are.

WE DON'T NEED TO TIE OUR IDENTITY TO:

- **Our strength.**

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 (NIV)

- **What people say about us.**
- **Our past experiences.**
- **What we perceive about ourselves.**
- **What we do.**

I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure. My heart took delight in all my labor, and this was the reward for all my toil. Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind; nothing was gained under the sun.

Ecclsiastes 2:10-11 (NIV)

Make a to-don't list.

All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Matthew 11:27-30 (NIV)

- **Our identity in Jesus reveals who God is.**
- **Our identity in Jesus provides relief from burdens.**
- **Our identity in Jesus allows us to rest.**

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