



Sermon Notes: Identify Your Identity

Finding Yourself

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**"I have found when I am disqualified but identify my identity in Christ.
I walk away with the victory every time." – Pastor Joe Starling**

Power Points:

- **God Defines My Identity**
- **Unified With Him**
- **Divine Access**
- **Finding Yourself**
- **Communion: Acknowledging our Identity in Christ**
- **Identification Confession**

Philemon 6 AMPC

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[And I pray] that the participation in and sharing of your faith may produce and promote full recognition and appreciation and understanding and precise knowledge of every good [thing] that is ours in [our **identification with] Christ Jesus [and unto His glory].**

“Your identification with Christ is at the center of everything you receive from God. When you see who you are in Christ” – M Hankins

God defines my true identity

Throughout the Bible and in the life of Christians today. People struggled with the concept of identification.

When commissioned by God for a great purpose Moses asked God the following question.

Exodus 3:11

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Exodus%203%3A11&version=KJV>

11 And Moses said unto God, **Who am I**, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

Finding Yourself

God affirms and confirms who Moses is, his true identity by stating or supplying His own name. **The equivariant of “IN Christ”.**

He encourages Moses that He is with him, which gives Moses a new **identity**, a new purpose, and a new confidence.

Exodus 3:14-17

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¹⁴ And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

¹⁵ And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, the LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: **this is my name for ever**, and this is my memorial **unto all generations**.

¹⁶ Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt:

¹⁷ And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

Prophecy of CHRIST (In Christ)

Later Moses explained to the people that the Christ would come.

Deuteronomy 18:15

<https://biblehub.com/kjv/deuteronomy/18-15.htm>

The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;

Your Identity in Christ is intact.

Intact (complete, whole, unbroken. Together)

If you are insecure or unsure of who you are based on the world's standards, there is no need to fear. **Find yourself**. Your true identity In Christ.

Romans 8:37-39

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans%208%3A37-39&version=KJV>

³⁷ Nay, in all these things we are **more than conquerors through him** that loved us.

³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is **in Christ** Jesus our Lord.

Unified with Christ

Corinthians 5:17 (KJV)

https://biblehub.com/2_corinthians/5-17.htm

Therefore if any man be **in Christ**, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

1 Corinthians 6:17 KJV

https://biblehub.com/1_corinthians/6-17.htm

But he that is **joined** unto the Lord is one spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:17 KJV AMPC

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17 But the person who is **united** to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him.

John 15:5 KJV

<https://biblehub.com/john/15-5.htm>

I am **the vine, ye are the branches**: He that abideth **in me**, and **I in him**, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Communion and Water Baptism two ordinances of Christianity that declare our unification with Christ.

Baptism (Initiation, Induction)

Communion (Unity, Closeness. Relationship, Intimacy, Spiritual union, Close association)

Romans 6:3-5, 11 KJV

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³ Know ye not, that so many of us as were **baptized into Jesus Christ** were baptized into his death?

⁴ Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk in** newness of life. (**WALKING: MEANS MATURITY/Pastor Joe Starling**)

⁵ For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the **likeness of his resurrection**:

¹¹ Likewise **reckon** ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but **alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord**.

1 Corinthians 10:17

https://biblehub.com/kjv/1_corinthians/10-17.htm

For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.

Devine Access

2 Corinthians 12:2-4

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2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one **caught up to the third heaven**.

3 And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)

4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter:

Ephesians 2:17-18 KJV

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians%202%3A17-18&version=KJV>

¹⁷ And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

¹⁸ For through him we both have **access by one Spirit** unto the Father

Ephesians 2:18 Good New Translation

<https://biblehub.com/ephesians/2-18.htm>

It is through Christ that all of us, Jews and Gentiles, are able to come in the **one Spirit into the presence of the Father**.

Revelation (Inter-court vs Outer-court)

Outer-Court believer – carnal

Inter-Court believer – Holy Spirit reveals revelation.

Revelation moves the believer from living based on circumstances and situations. Enabling the believer to both hear and see supernaturally based on the revealed word/promises of God.

The Breath of Revelation: What does Revelation/

God Say?

Matthews 16:13-24

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2016%3A13-24&version=KJV>

¹³ When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

¹⁴ And they said, **Some say** that thou art John the Baptist: **some**, Elias; and **others**, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

¹⁵ He saith unto them, But **whom say ye** that I am?

¹⁶ And Simon **Peter answered** and said, **Thou art the Christ**, the Son of the living God.

¹⁷ And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not **revealed it unto thee**, but my Father which is in heaven.

¹⁸ And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

¹⁹ And I will give unto thee **the keys of the kingdom of heaven:** and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Not what "Some Say", but What does the Holy Spirit by way of Revelation Say.

Voices That Say:

- Doctors Say
- Fear Say
- Perversion Say (Perversion to alter something from its original course, meaning, or state to a distortion or corruption of what was first intended....)
- Your past Say
- Failure Say
- Finances Say
- Man Say
- Boyfriend Say
- Girlfriend Say
- What does the Holy Spirit Say by way of Revelation?

Identification provides Christian clarity and awareness to the truth. ***We have been granted authority IN CHRIST.*** Through revelation the are Keys Given. The Keys to God's way of doing things. The Kingdom Way....)

Authority is not a luxury by a necessity of the believer. It's needed to exercise and demonstrate the power of God in the earth.

Ephesians 1:19-21 AMPC

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¹⁹ And [so that you can know and understand] what is the immeasurable *and* unlimited *and* surpassing greatness of **His power in *and* for us who believe**, as demonstrated in the working of His mighty strength,

²⁰ Which He exerted **in Christ** when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His [own] right hand in the heavenly [places],

²¹ **Far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and every name** that is named [above every title that can be conferred], not only in this age *and* in this world, but also in the age *and* the world which are to come.

Communion: Acknowledge our Identity in Christ

Matthew 26:26-28

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²⁶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

²⁷ And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

²⁸ For this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

In Him Confession

Confession helps renew your mind. Who you are In Christ.

Jesus is my Lord

Sin cannot dominate me In Him

I am redeemed in Him

I am righteous In Him

I have boldness and confidence In Him

I am free from shame In Him

All My needs are meet In Him