

MESSAGE 2: LEARNING MY TRUE IDENTITY IN CHRIST

Parts 1-2

“You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.” 1 Peter 2:9-10

GOD’S TRUE VIEW OF YOU: IN CHRIST . . .

1.

“You have been CHOSEN by God himself!” 1 Peter 2:9 (LB)

• BECAUSE _____

“He chose us in him before the creation of the world, to be holy and blameless in his sight by his love.”
Ephesians 1:4

• BECAUSE _____

“Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. He made us acceptable to God and gave us the hope of eternal life.” Titus 3:7 (CEV)

2.

“You are a HOLY nation, a people BELONGING to God!” 1 Peter 2:9

“You are a people holy to the Lord your God...his treasured possession.”

Deuteronomy 7:6 (NIV)

God says: “You are precious to me.” Isaiah 43:4 (TEV)

• BECAUSE _____

“Look at the birds... God feeds them and you are far more valuable to Him than any birds!”

Luke 12:24

• BECAUSE _____

“You have been bought and paid for by Christ, so you belong to him...”

1 Corinthians 7:23 (LB)

3.

“Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God.” 1 Peter 2:10

“I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself.” Jeremiah 31:3 (NLT)

• BECAUSE _____
“God’s love is eternal and his faithfulness lasts forever.”

Psalm 100:5 (TEV)

4. _____
“At one time you did not know God’s mercy, but now you have received his mercy.”

1 Peter 2:10b (TEV)

“There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” Romans 8:1

• BECAUSE _____
“I am the God who forgives your sins, and I do this because of who I am. I will not hold your sins against you.”
Isaiah 43:25 (TEV)

• BECAUSE _____
“For by the blood of Christ we are set free, that is, our sins are forgiven. How great is the grace of God!”
Ephesians 1:7 (TEV)

5. _____
“You are royal priests... chosen to tell about the wonderful acts of God, who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.” 1 Peter 2:9 (NCV)

“The capacity we have comes from God; it is he who made us capable of serving the new covenant...” 2
Corinthians 3:5b-6 (TEV)

• BECAUSE _____
“I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.” Philippians 4:13

How should my identity affect how I act?
Romans 15:7, 1 Peter 2:17, Colossians 3:12, Ephesians 4:32, Hebrews 13:6