

Session 2: Change of Identity

Proverbs 23:7 “For as he thinks in his heart, so is he...”

Everyone is searching for an identity, on a journey to discover themselves. Kids are encouraged to think about who they want to be and what they want to be when they grow up. It’s all about their jobs, their careers, their talents, their personality, the people they run with, etc... All of these things are used to define us.

Exercise: Define yourself in the flesh

Homework: Define yourself in Christ; choose the “in Christ” statements that have impacted you the most.

Genesis 12:1-3

Genesis 13:14-17

Genesis 15:5-6

Genesis 17:1-7

When people are born again, they have an identity change just like we see here with Abraham. They are now a son and daughter, an heir, kings and priests.

Ephesians 2:11-19 “Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,”

Galatians 3:26-29

1 Peter 2:9-10

Are we living as though these things are true?

Romans 4:16-21 “Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all (as it is written, “I have made you a father of many nations”) in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did; who, contrary to hope, in hope believed, so that he became the father of many nations, according to what was spoken, “So shall your descendants be.” And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah’s womb. He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.”

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Holding on to your old identity keeps you from moving where God has called you to move.

In order to fulfill the promises and purposes of God for our lives we first have to have a change of identity.

Then, we must see ourselves the way God sees us. True humility is agreeing with what He says is true.

Galatians 3:6-29