

GOOD NEWS!

#2: Gospel-Shaped Identity



The Identity of Jesus...

- 1) Identity Declared by God
- 2) Identity Challenged by Others
- 3) Identity Reaffirmed by Scripture
- 4) Identity Flows into Mission

IDENTITY DISTORTIONS

- "I Am Who Others Tell Me I Am"
- "I Am What I Do"
- "I Am What Was Done to Me"
- "I Am What I Was Diagnosed to Be"
- "I Am What I Wear"
- "I Am What the Culture Tells Me I Am"

or...

"I AM WHO GOD HAS DECLARED ME TO BE"

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

WHO GOD SAYS I AM: GOSPEL-SHAPED IDENTITY

I am Chosen by God (1 PETER 2:9)
I am God's Son or Daughter (JOHN 1:12; 1 JOHN 3:1-3)
I am Adopted into God's Family (EPHESIANS 1:4-6)
I am a Gift from the Father to the Son (JOHN 17:6)
I am Justified before God (ROMANS 5:1)
I am Righteous before God, Blameless in His sight (1 CORINTHIANS 5:21)
I am Reconciled to God (2 CORINTHIANS 5:18-20)
I am Spiritually Alive in Christ (EPHESIANS 2:5)
I am Redeemed and Forgiven of all my sins (COLOSSIANS 1:14)
I am a Saint (EPHESIANS 1:4)
I am Holy and Dearly Loved (COLOSSIANS 3:12)
I am a Member of Christ's Body (1 CORINTHIANS 12:27; EPHESIANS 5:30)
I am Complete in Christ (COLOSSIANS 2:10)
I am a Member of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession (1 PETER 2:9,10)
I am One with Christ (1 CORINTHIANS 6:17; COLOSSIANS 2:9-10)
I am Free forever from condemnation (ROMANS 8:1-2)
I am Christ's Friend (JOHN 15:15)
I am an Heir of an Inheritance (EPHESIANS 1:14; COLOSSIANS 3:24; ROMANS 8:17)
I have been Purchased with a Price (1 CORINTHIANS 6:20)
I am a Bondslave of God (ROMANS 6:22)
I am God's Workmanship (EPHESIANS 2:10)
I am a Son of light and not of darkness (1 THESSALONIANS 5:5)
I am Anointed with the Holy Spirit (EPHESIANS 1:14)
I am a Holy Partaker of a heavenly calling (HEBREWS 3:1)
I am one of God's Living Stones, being built up in Christ as a spiritual house (1 PETER 2:5)
I am Free from any condemning charges (ROMANS 8:33-34)
I am a Citizen of heaven (PHILIPPIANS 3:20)
I am an Alien and Stranger to this world (1 PETER 2:11)
I am an Enemy of the devil (1 PETER 5:8)
I am Born of God and the evil one cannot touch me (1 JOHN 5:18)
I am God's Temple (1 CORINTHIANS 3:16)
I am the Salt and Light of the earth (MATTHEW 5:13)
I am a Minister of Reconciliation (2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-20)
I am God's Co-worker (2 CORINTHIANS 6:1)
I am a New Creation (2 CORINTHIANS 5:17)

"Nothing to Prove; Nothing to Protect. All because of JESUS!"

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