

**Identity #1**  
**Bible Study**  
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In our teen years we first begin dealing with this issue of our identity and as we mature we face it over again in various stages of our life.

At the core of our heart's cry are these three questions, each a cry for identity clarity.

- 1. WHO AM I?**
- 2. WHERE DID I COME FROM?**
- 3. WHERE AM I GOING?**

**Jesus** addressed each of these in his own life and we find the exchange in **John 8**.

**John 8:12** – "I am the light of the world."

**John 8:14, 16, 18, 23, 42** – "I know where I came from... I come from the Father in heaven."

**John 8:14** – "I know where I am going."

John 14:2-4 – I go to my Father's house to prepare a place for you

John 6:38- "I have come down from heaven to do the will of him who sent me."

Jesus was absolutely certain of His identity and was absolutely, 100% correct about it as well.

Therefore, our confidence is in Him, as we seek the answers to the very same issues in our life.

**Let's start with identity question #1 – WHO AM I?**

**We live in a world of identity theft!**

Not solely in the arena of stolen, digital identities, but our personal identities.

John 10:10 – tells us the thief comes to steal

The enemy has strategized to rip you off of the understanding of who you are and who you were created to be.

The commercialism in our world seeks to create a false sense of identity for us built around temporal values and external images.

Your self-image and identity is deeper than those shallow models and is built for eternity.

Therefore, the lens through which we view ourselves must be His. Not the world's.

Often we need to change our glasses and see as He does.

**This is how He sees you. These verses tell you who you really are. According to the Word of the Lord, You are...**

**I am:**

Made in His image. Gen. 1:27

Born by God's decision, not a man and woman's. John 1:12

Fearfully and wonderfully made being knit together in my mother's womb. Psa. 139:13

The apple of God's eye. Psa. 17:8

Precious to Him Psa. 139:17

Loved by God John 3:16

God's workmanship (masterpiece). Eph. 2:10  
Chosen 1 Peter 2:9  
A son, and heir Gal. 4:7  
Created by God's will Rev. 4:11  
God's temple 1 Cor. 3:16-17  
Called from the womb for a purpose Jer. 1:4-5; Gal. 1:5  
Forgiven and redeemed Col. 1:14  
More valuable to God than the birds who he cares for Mat. 6:26  
Bought with a price 1 Cor. 6:20  
Adopted as a son, and heir Eph. 1:5  
Cannot be separated from God's love Rom. 8:35-39  
God's child John 1:12; Rom. 8:16

From before the foundation of the world He chose you, loved you and created you to be His and walk in His purpose and destiny for you. Eph. 1:4; Jer. 1:4-5; Jer. 29:11

His purposes and will for us are good and pleasing. Rom. 12:1

His ways are right, just and true. Deut. 32:4

He calls us to come to Him and become a new creation. 1 Cor. 5:17; John 3:3

He calls us to put off the old man and way of seeing, doing and being, and put on the new. Eph. 4:22-24

**Your REAL id** is in Him.

As your Creator, he knows what makes you happy, fulfilled, sad, etc. He designed you and holds the owner's manual.

To unlock your true identity and your full potential, you need to know the Creator and His plan for you.

THAT is who you are; who you are meant to be, who will make you fulfilled, who will bring peace and satisfaction to your soul.

To find who you are, you begin by turning to Him.

And with each new day or year that you walk with Him, He reveals more and more to you.

He shows you paths to take. He helps you through all storms and celebrations.

Because you know who you are in Him, you are strong, confident, secure and immovable.

Your identity is built on eternal values and His Word,

Not temporal values and external images.

Your lens is His Word and seeing life through His glasses changes you and everything you see.

**YOU ARE DEARLY BELOVED.** Phil. 4:1

