

## DO PLEASE!

### *Part 4: Now I know who I am.*

**How does Satan keep you from knowing your true identity?**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_.

*“I didn’t come to condemn the world but to save it.” – John 3:17*

*“Not only do we know God through Jesus Christ, but we only know ourselves through Jesus Christ. We only know life and death through Jesus Christ. Apart from Jesus we cannot know the meaning of our life, the meaning of death, the meaning of God, or the meaning of ourselves. It is only in Christ.” – Pascal*

*“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*

**Five finger prints of your true identity:**

1. I am \_\_\_\_\_.

*“You have been chosen by God himself.” – 1 Peter 2:9*

**Two things that let you know how deeply God has chosen you:**

**I. God chose me before everything.**

*“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*

**II. Jesus has made me acceptable.**

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

**2. I am \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“You are a holy nation and a people belonging to God.” – 1 Peter 2:9*

**Holy – extremely valuable, more than normal.**

**What is it that makes something valuable?**

**I. Who owns it.**

*“You are a people holy to the Lord your God... his treasured possession.” – Deuteronomy 7:6*

*“God says, ‘You are precious to me.’” – Isaiah 43:4*

**Why am I extremely valuable?**

**I. Because God is my Father.**

*“Look at the birds... God feeds them and you are far more valuable to him than any birds!” – Luke 12:24*

**II. Jesus gave his life for me.**

*“You have been bought and paid for by Christ, so you belong to him...” – 1 Corinthians 7:23*

**3. I’m \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

*“Jesus and the ones he makes holy have the same Father. And that is why Jesus is not ashamed to call us his brothers and sisters.” – Hebrews 2:11*

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

**Two things about God’s love for you:**

**I. It’s unconditional.**

**II. It’s unending – constant.**

*“God’s love is eternal and his faithfulness lasts forever.” – Psalm 100:5*

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#### **4. I am totally \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“At one time you did not know God’s mercy, but now you have received his mercy.” – 1 Peter 2:10*

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

#### **How do I know I am totally forgiven?**

##### **I. It’s in God’s nature to forgive**

*“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*

##### **II. Jesus paid for my sins.**

*“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*

#### **5. You’re \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“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*

#### **What does a priest do?**

##### **I. He represents man to God.**

##### **II. He represents God to man.**

*“You are to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, from the power of Satan to God, so that through their faith in me they will have their sins forgiven and also, like you, receive their place among God’s chosen people.” – Acts 26:18*

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

*“I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.” – Philippians 4:13*

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