

WEEK 3: Who determines who we are and how we live? (Identity and Purpose)

Core Truth: Our identity is not determined by our circumstances or the opinions of others. It is received from Jesus and lived out for His glory.

Trustworthy Statement: Your circumstances do not determine your identity; Jesus does.

Day 1 — 1 Peter 2:4-8 (CSB)

Question: What have I been using as the foundation for my identity instead of Jesus?

Day 2 — 1 Peter 2:9-12 (CSB)

Question: How can the way I live, learn, work, or play help someone see the goodness of Jesus?

Day 3 — John 15:1-8 (CSB)

Question: Am I trying to create a meaningful and fruitful life on my own, or am I remaining connected to Jesus?

Day 4 — Colossians 3:1-17 (CSB)

Question: What attitude or behavior no longer fits who I am in Christ?

Day 5 — Matthew 5:13-16 (CSB)

Question: What is one good work I can do this week that will help someone experience the love of Jesus?

Take time to practice SOAP:

Scripture: What stands out?

Observation: What is God revealing?

Application: What needs to change?

Prayer: Talk to God about it.