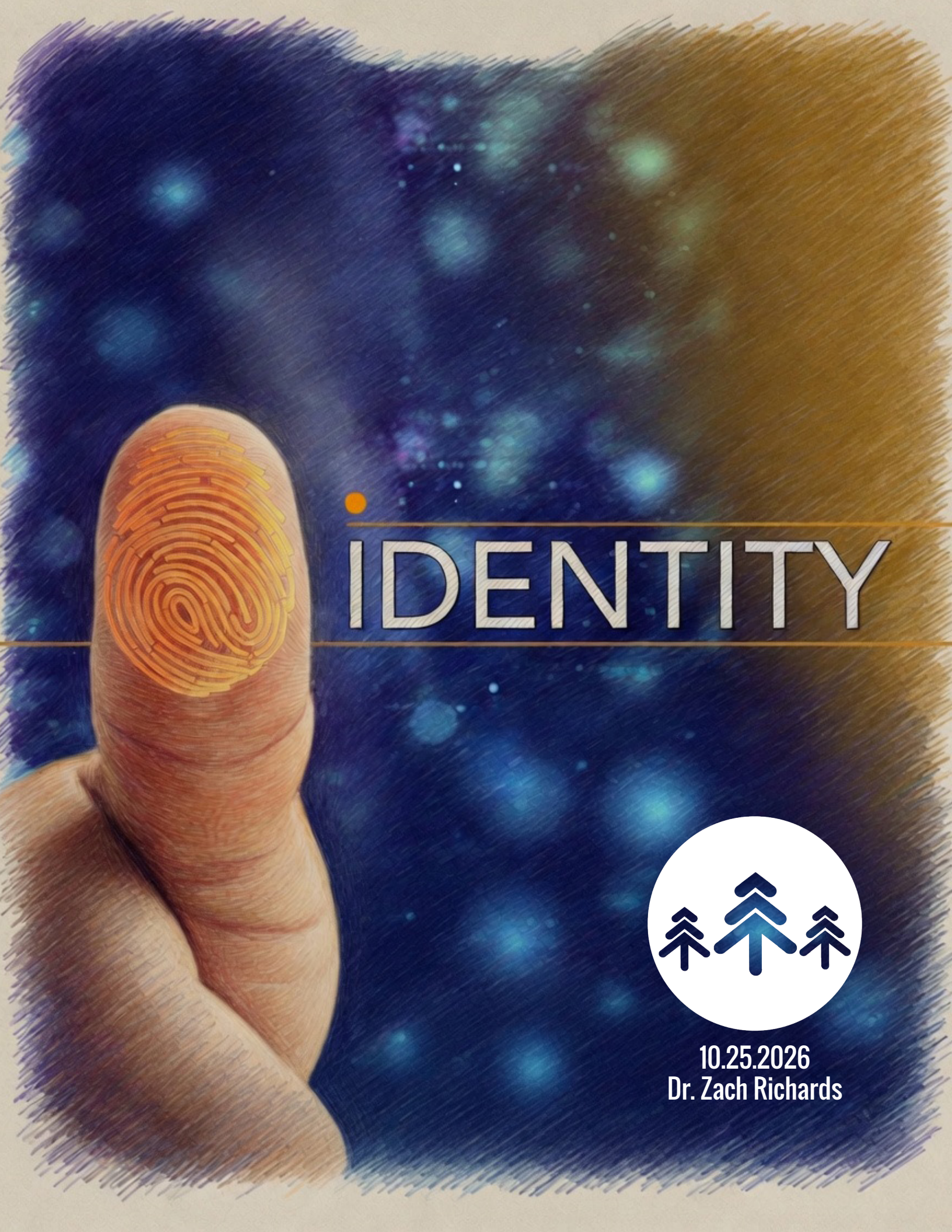


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Kingdom Authority

2 Corinthians 10:1-11

Sermon in a Sentence

Kingdom authority is more about being possessed by Christ than possessing authority.

Question

How do we demonstrate Kingdom Authority?

I. The perception of Kingdom Authority

A. Paul confronted his critics who challenged his authority by arguing that he lacked integrity.
B. The world perceives Kingdom Authority as weakness.
C. Kingdom Authority is demonstrated through Christlikeness
    1. Meekness
    2. Forbearance
    3. Biblical Boldness
D. Christians have the responsibility of demonstrating true Kingdom Authority and not what society thinks it should be.

II. The power of Kingdom Authority

A. After making his appeal to his critics, Paul described the source of power behind Kingdom Authority.
B. Kingdom Authority's power is distinct.
    1. The power of Kingdom Authority is distinct in its display.
    2. The power of Kingdom Authority is distinct in its source.
C. The power of Kingdom Authority is not for fighting the meaningless temporary frustrations of this world but the battles that affect eternity.

III. The purpose of Kingdom Authority

A. Paul explained to the Corinthians how Kingdom Authority is to be used.
    1. Kingdom Authority is for battling ungodly opinions.
    2. Kingdom Authority is for taking thoughts captive.
    3. Kingdom Authority is for dealing with spiritual disobedience.
B. Kingdom Authority is about fighting spiritual battles for the expansion of God's Kingdom.

IV. <u>The persistence of Kingdom Authority</u>

A. Paul told the Corinthians that regardless of whether they were present or absent, they lived with the same Kingdom Authority.

B. Kingdom Authority should be persistent in our lives and not dependent upon our circumstances.

C. What set Paul apart and what should set us apart is the persistence of Kingdom Authority in all aspects of our lives.