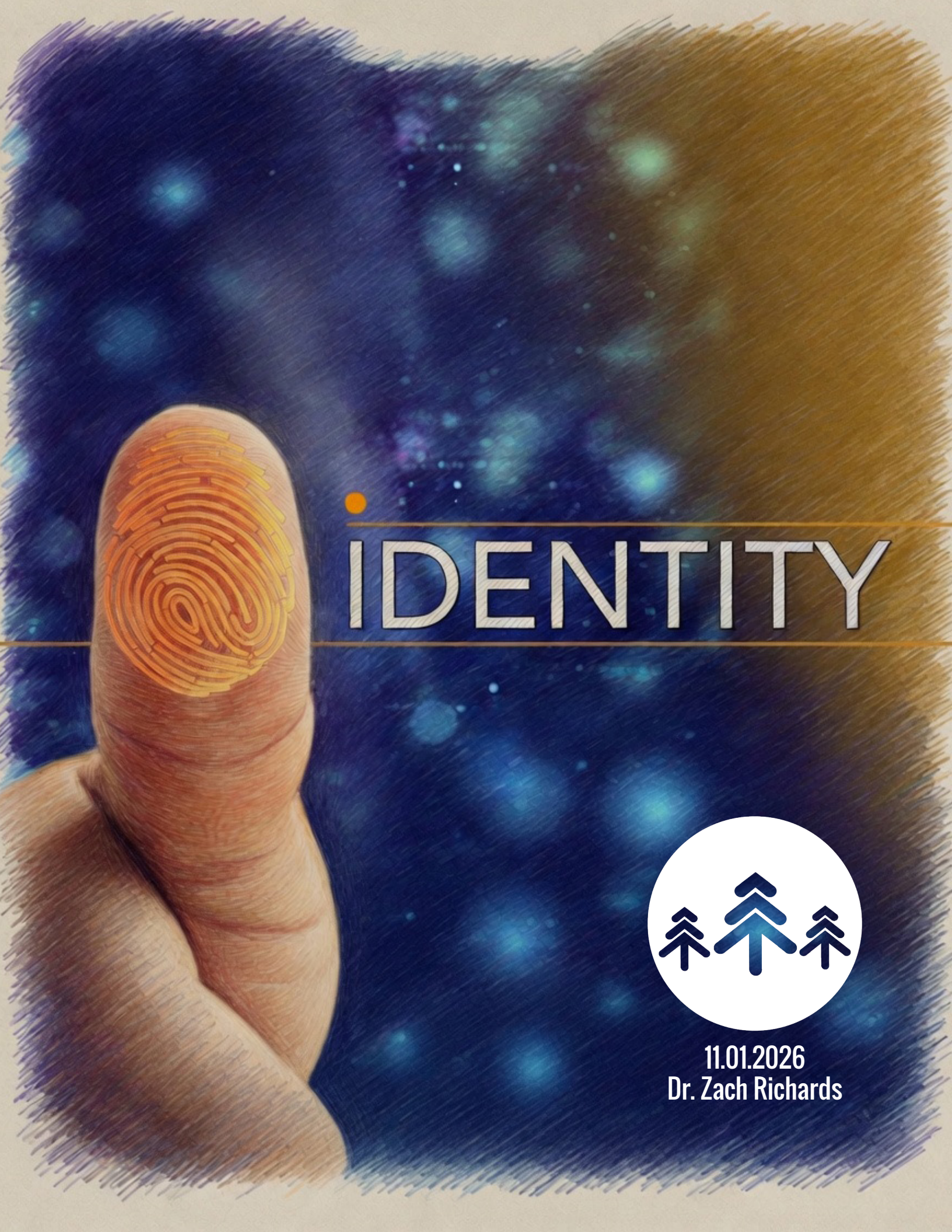

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Minding Our Ministry

II Corinthians 10:12-18

Sermon in a Sentence

Comparing ministries is a waste when time could
be better spent making disciples where God has placed us.

Question

Why is comparing ministries such a waste of time?

I. Comparisons exalt the flesh not the kingdom.

A. Paul pointed out that his adversaries only wanted to compare themselves to him.
B. Comparing ourselves to other ministries only shows how little we understand the work of God.

II. We serve where the Lord has assigned us.

A. Paul understood that he had been assigned a particular work by the Lord that included the Corinthians.
B. If we believe that we serve God according to His plan, then every ministry has been assigned a role to play in God plan.

III. We are to focus on our own spiritual depth and expansion.

A. Paul explained that he wanted to see the Corinthians mature and the gospel expand through them.
B. We should have two goals as a church:
   1. *Deeper discipleship*
   2. *Kingdom expansion*

IV. All we have to boast about is the Lord.

A. Paul finished his argument by stating that all boasting should be about the Lord.
B. As individuals and as a church, all the good we experience comes from the Lord and not us.