

Identity Issues



KEY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 2.25

Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Genesis 3.10

[Adam] answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

GROW

Read 2 Corinthians 5.17

When God created the universe He didn't improve something already in existence. He brought something out of nothing. He *ex nihilo*. And when He opened your eyes to the grace Jesus offers, and you were saved, He didn't simply improve who you were into who you are. He made you completely new. You aren't the same person you were before you received the grace of Christ. You are a new person with a new perspective, a new understanding, and a new identity. An identity found in who Jesus is and what He has done.

LOOK

Where do you struggle in your identity?

self-worth // performance // significance // past failures // social status // self-image

circle all that apply

What is the root of your identity issues?

How much do you allow what others say about you determine what you believe about yourself? Why?

How has your past shaped your self-esteem, image, and worth?

What does it mean to you knowing you are God's chosen... His very own possession?

We discussed three ways our identity is changed when we "in Christ" - which one hit home the most for you? Why?