

GOD IS BIGGER

God is bigger...than your identity | May 2, 2021 | Pastor John Niewald

Message Notes

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, 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.” | Peter 2:9-10

Satan wants to distort and destroy your identity, but God is bigger.

In Christ:

You are completely acceptable.

You are extremely valuable.

You are eternally lovable.

You are freely forgivable.

You are fully capable.

Scripture Readings

2 Corinthians 5:17, 1 Peter 2:9-10, John 1:6-13, 1 Corinthians 7:23, Jeremiah 31:3, Psalm 100:5, Romans 8:1, Acts 26:18, 2 Corinthians 3:5-6, Philippians 4:13

Discussion Guide

ENGAGE

- 1 Sometimes it's difficult to see and admit good things about ourselves.
- 2 Name one thing about you that you like.
- 3 Pastor John said, "A lie believed as truth will affect you as if it were true." What lies from the enemy have you believed?
- 4 Satan uses past hurts, other's opinions, and your own thoughts to distort your true identity. Which one do you struggle with most and why?
- 5 In Christ there are five truths that God says about your identity. Which truth do you need to affirm right now?

APPLY

- 1 Make cards or a list of the 5 truths found in 1 Peter 2:9-10 that God says about your identity and read them each morning and night.
- 2 Share these things with a friend who can help you stay accountable.

PRAY

Dear God, thank you that IN CHRIST I am a new person! Help me not only to believe, but to act on the truths of what your Word says about me. Help me to live free from the lies I have believed and walk confidently in the true identity that I have in You. In Jesus' Name. **Amen.**