



A NEW KIND OF YOU

"New ID"

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1. Read Ephesians 1:3-4.

- If you don't know your identity "in Christ," you will pursue your own mission instead of Jesus' mission.
- Open in prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to bury deep in your heart your identity in Christ, for the glory of God the Father, and the sake of people who are yet to know Jesus as Savior and friend.

2. God's (Chosen/Elect) people have always had an identity that empowered His mission through them.

- Chosen/Election is the vehicle to carry the mission of God to all ethnic groups throughout the world.
 - Adam and Eve: Chosen/Elect. Read Genesis 1:28.
 - Abraham: Chosen/Elect. Read Genesis 12:1-3.
 - Israel: Chosen/Elect. Read Deuteronomy 7:6 and Exodus 19:5-6.
 - Jesus: Chosen/Elect. Read Luke 9:35.
 - The Church: Chosen/Elect. Read Ephesians 1:3-4.
- The Church participates in Jesus' chosen-ness and His identity. His life becomes ours (Colossians 3:4).
- Jesus' **history** becomes ours as a gift of grace. Read Romans 5:17-19.
 - What does Romans 5:17-19 teach? And what are the practical implications for your life? How does this make you feel about Jesus, yourself, and others?
 - According to Ephesians 1:4, you are holy and blameless before God the Father. Why are you holy and blameless before God the Father? What are the practical implications for your life? How does this make you feel about God, yourself, and others?

- Jesus' **mission** becomes ours as a gift of grace.
 - What was Jesus' mission according to Luke 19:10? And since His mission is now ours (see Matthew 28:18-20), what are the implications for our lives?
 - How does this make you feel about God, yourself, and others?

- Jesus' **destiny** becomes ours as a gift of grace. Read 1 Peter 1:3-5.
 - What is our inheritance? (see Revelation 21:1-4)
 - Who should we bless? And what are we thankful for? (see 1 Peter 1:3-5)
 - Who guards our inheritance?
 - What are the practical implications for our lives? How does this make you feel about God, yourself, and others?

Soul-Tattoo: At breakfast, lunch, and dinner, say "Jesus' history, mission, and destiny are mine because I'm in Him. He is my identity."