

Title: You Do What You Are Series: Identity Pt. I Pastor David Kim

STARTER QUESTION

1) Which voice would you say has the strongest push in giving you your sense of identity (Culture, Family, Institutions, Friends, God, etc.)? Be honest and share with your group.

- 2) Read Philippians 3:3-11 (NLT) together as a group. Can someone summarize what is going on in this passage?
- 3) There are 3 fake ID's Paul identifies and addresses in this passage. Why are these fake ID's an inadequate foundation for building our identity around?

Fake ID #1: ATTRIBUTES (Things you're born with or born into) Fake ID # 2: ACHEIVEMENTS (Things you've worked hard for)

Fake ID # 3: ATTITUDES (Certain attitudes you hold onto)

4) Which ID do you need to turn in personally?

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

5) The point of Christian life is not to pretend that our attributes, achievements, and attitudes doesn't give us some satisfaction. The point of Christianity is not to delay reality and suddenly tell the world that good things are suddenly bad. Satisfying things are suddenly unsatisfying. But it's all relative...those things are pretty good until we found the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ and being known by Him. When we're with Him and we know who we are and who we were always meant to be. That's identity...you cannot take that away from a person. You can be expelled, fired, imprisoned, and no one can take away your identity that is forged by the feet of Jesus Christ. That is Paul's testimony and God's implication for each one of us. Pray with your group as we prepare to see more specifically in the coming weeks who God says we really are.