Your Extraordinary Worth in Christ

Key Promise: Eph 2:10

For we are God's **masterpiece**. He has **created** us **anew** in Christ Jesus, so we can do the **good things** he planned for us long ago. *NLT*

How seeing yourself the way God sees you has immense practical impact on your life, work and destiny.

Many people are living a depressed, miserable life because they keep their focus on how people see them or how they see themselves. If they learn to see themselves as God sees them, they will experience amazing practical impact in their daily lives and work, achieving their high destiny with joy.

Prov 23:7 For as he thinks within himself, so he is. *HCSB*

What does this verse tell you about the importance of right seeing?

I. YOU ARE	ACCEPTED AND
HIGHLY FAVORED	

Eph 1:5-6

Having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. *NKJVS*

Accepted χαριτοω *charitoō*: Grace, highly favored, honor with blessings. *Strong's*

Don't associate your with your performances or what you have.

What are the wrong ways we use to see our worth?

"What you are to Christ Jesus is far more important than anything you will ever do for him."

Dr Bob Bowman, Founder, FEBC. These words spoken to Bob in his Bible College left an immense impact in his life.

God has fully **accepted** and highly **favored** you as much as He has favored Christ!

Why is it important to know you have been fully accepted?

You will live a much life.
You will be enough to admit mistakes and be made whole. Jas 5:16
Admit your faults to one another and pray for each other so that you may be healed. <i>LB</i>
I. YOU ARE LOVED
Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <i>NIV</i> How does God love you?
Not: I love you or
He loves you because of He is
Why is it important to know that God loves you unconditionally?
Knowing He loves you unconditionally:
1. Empowers you to what He calls you to do.
Luke 7:47 Forgiven much, loved much.

Isa 50:11 Some of you want to light your own fires and make your own light. So, go, walk and trust your own light to guide you. But this is what you'll receive a place of pain. <i>NCV</i>
2. Empowers you to build relationships.
Prov 30:21-23 21 There are three things that make the earth tremble: a slave who becomes a king, an overbearing fool who prospers, 23 a bitter woman who finally gets a husband <i>NLT</i>
If you <i>feel</i> you are deeply hurt, your priority is to let Christ love you to wholeness.
3. Empower you to receive over-the- blessings
III. YOU ARE HIS POSSESSION
Jas 1:18 By His own desire He made us His own sons through the Word (message) of truth, that we, should be His treasured possession of all creation. <i>JY</i> Treasured possession : First fruit, first place, the best, the most important, most precious, the crown of. What makes you valuable?

price for you!

You have been bought and paid for by Christ, so you belong to Him ... LB

to God.

In God's eyes, you are as precious as Jesus Christ.

He paid an

1 Cor 7:23

Why is it important to see yourself precious?

Isa 43:4

Since you were precious in My eyes, you are **honored**, and I love you ... *LITV* Honor *kabad*: honorable, weighty, glorious.

IV. YOU ARE HIS UNIQUE

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Masterpiece: unique extraordinary achievement, greatest work, cream of the crop, setting the standard, the work by which a workman attains the rank of master. *Webster, Dictionary.com*

Why does God make you a unique masterpiece?

Psa 139:14

I praise you because I am $\underline{\text{fearfully}}$ and $\underline{\text{wonderfully}}$ made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. NIV

Fearfully: worshipfully adorable

Wonderfully: distinct, different, unique

Adventure this week:

1. Memorize Eph 2:10 and write this verse from memory here:
2. Write down what will happen in your life and work when you see yourself the way God sees you:
Completely Accepted and Favored.
Loved Unconditionally.
Treasured Possession.
Unique Masterpiece.
 Download this App from iPhone or iPad (using the 'iPhone Only' Button): Truth or trash This game will change you. Learn how to identify; the "Trash" that binds you and the 'Truth' that sets you free.

Today's Article

To: Jesus, Son of Joseph

CEO, Carpenter Shop of Nazareth

From: Bethlehem Management Consultants

Dear Sir:

Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for management positions in your new organization. We arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and consultants.

It is our opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, educational, and vocational aptitudes for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have a team concept. We would recommend that you search for better experienced persons in managerial and proven capabilities.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable.

Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership.

Thomas demonstrates a doubting attitude that would undermine morale.

We feel it is our duty to tell you that Matthew has been blacklisted by the city's chamber of commerce.

James is definitely a real radical and high on the manic-depressive scale.

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential.

He's a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind, and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your CCO and right-hand man.