

TRUE IDENTITY *I have called you by your name. You are mine.*

Colossians 3:10 – “(Since you have stripped off your old nature) Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like Him.”

Have you ever found yourself in a loss for words?

I find myself when confused about how to order in an unfamiliar restaurant uttering the words, “What she said.”

This is not being an individual, right!? I mean, think for yourself man!

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While parroting other’s words and actions is not what your parents wanted for your life, spiritually speaking we are to “learn to know” God in the flesh – Jesus, and “become like Him” (Col. 3:10).

We are to:

- ✓ process life like Him,
- ✓ be strong in His Spirit,
- ✓ consider others like He does (through forgiveness, compassion, and love),

As a follower of Christ *being like* Jesus is how you discover your TRUE IDENTITY, not just *saying* what He said!

We have a NEWNESS in Christ when we belong to Him. What was natural to Jesus will be our “new nature”.

Listen to these words in **Isaiah 43:1**:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine!”

1. HE BOUGHT US! *I have redeemed you.*

A. We no longer must live up to an impossible standard.

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Galatians 4:4-5 NLT – *“But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. ⁵ God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law [or to the old standard of being right with God], so that he could adopt us as his very own children.”*

B. We no longer are under the penalty of death for our sins.

1 John 2:2

“He (Jesus) is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only ours, but also for the sins of the world.”

2. HE CALL OUR NAME! *I have summoned you by name.*

This is a personalized invitation.

You have been summoned by the King!
He wants to be in relationship with you!

Jeremiah 31:3 NIV

“...I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing love.”

What a friend!

Isaiah 43:2

“When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not down. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you.”

3. YOU BELONG TO JESUS! *“You are mine.”*

You are in an eternal relationship with God through Jesus, His Son!

It’s like a marriage – we belong to each other and not another!

Hebrews 6:18b

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“...we who have fled to Him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us.”

WHAT HE SAID!

That hope is the life of Christ Jesus and His promise of eternal life.

Do you know Him?

Do you want to know Him?

Listen to the inner voice in you calling you personally to open your life up to the One Who has redeemed you – You belong to Him!

Your name is “Redeemed”.