



Pastor Paul's Newsletter 11-23-25
Who Do I Think I Am?

When a person receives Jesus as their personal Savior, and are born again, they now start a long journey of finding themselves in the Bible. Just like in the natural when a baby is born; they have no clue whether they are a boy or a girl, and they don't understand what color they are. They just don't know what they have been made physically. So what happens? People around them start informing them of all of these identities. Whoever is doing the informing will give them a true identity or a false identity.

Now let's think about being born again spiritually: it really DOES matter what church you go to, because that church is going to shape your spiritual perspective of yourself. You will never do something that you think you're not. Let's look at Scriptures today that tell us our true identity, so that we can live out what God has re-created us to live.

1 John 3:1-3 KJV Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not. [2] Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that,

when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is. [3] And every man that hath this hope in Him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.

1 John 3:1-3 GNT See how much the Father has loved us! His love is so great that we are called God's children-and so, in fact, we are. This is why the world does not know us: it has not known God. [2] My dear friends, we are now God's children, but it is not yet clear what we shall become. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He really is. [3] Everyone who has this hope in Christ keeps himself pure, just as Christ is pure

1 John 5:1 KJV Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of Him.

1 John 5:1 TPT Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Messiah is God's spiritual child and has been fathered by God Himself. And everyone who loves Father God loves His children as well.

In these Scripture verses, we can see that we are truly born of God. Because we are born of God, we can now live the God life by the birth that we have received. No longer do we have to just try to live right; God has made us right by giving us new birth from the seed of Jesus.

1 Peter 1:23 KJV Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

1 Peter 1:23 TPT For through the eternal and living Word of God you have been born again. And this "Seed" that He planted within you can never be destroyed but will live and grow inside of you forever.

1 John 3:9 KJV Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

1 John 3:9 TPT Everyone who is truly God's child will refuse to keep sinning because God's seed remains within him, and he is unable to continue sinning because he has been fathered by God Himself.

John 8:12-18 KJV Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. [13] The Pharisees therefore said unto Him, Thou bearest record of Thyself; Thy record is not true. [14] Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of Myself, yet My record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go. [15] Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man. [16] And yet if I judge,

My judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent Me. [17] It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true. [18] I am one that bear witness of Myself, and the Father that sent Me beareth witness of Me.

Jesus knew who He was, because His Father God told Him. When we hear Jesus tell us from Scriptures who we are, we must start saying that we are what Jesus says we are and resist anything that would be contrary to what He has said.

1 John 4:17 KJV Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world.

It has taken us a long time to identify ourselves from the information, whether true or false, that people have given us. It will take a lifetime of hearing what God's Word says about us to get us to function as who we truly are. The devil will completely lose in our life, as we pursue the knowledge of who we are in Christ.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings
Monday 1Peter 4

Tuesday 1 Peter 5

Wednesday 2 Peter 1

Thursday 2 Peter 2

Friday 2 Peter 3

Saturday 1 John 1

Sunday 1 John 2

STAY CONNECTED

** If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

** The Christian Center app-

-<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

** You can text to give through the TCC app.

** Make it a point to make full use of the TCC app

** Tune into one of our radio stations in Oklahoma: 91.1fm Lawton, 91.9fm McAlester or 95.9fm Woodward

** No Wednesday night service this week. Offices and activities closed Thursday

** Singles' Annual Thanksgiving dinner will be Thursday November 27 at 1:30 in the gym. Please bring food to share.

Families with deployed spouses are welcome to come!

** Men's Conference: December 5 & 6. Ushers have sign-up form

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

*Early Morning Prayer: Sanctuary M-F 6:15-7:15am

*Women's Dance Aerobics: 10-11am
M-W-F in the Gym

*Noonday Bible Study: M-F 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45am classes; 10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group: Under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm in NW Classroom

** Wednesday Night: Adult & Youth Services 7pm

** MobilePrayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm under balcony

Monthly

*** Men's Fellowship: 1st Sat. 9am at Golden Corral

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Sat. 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan/Cache Rd.

*** Women's Fellowship: 3rd Sat. 9am Golden Corral

*** Relationship Class: 4th Sat. 10am-12 Fellowship Hall