

# Divine Life Church Worship & Training Center

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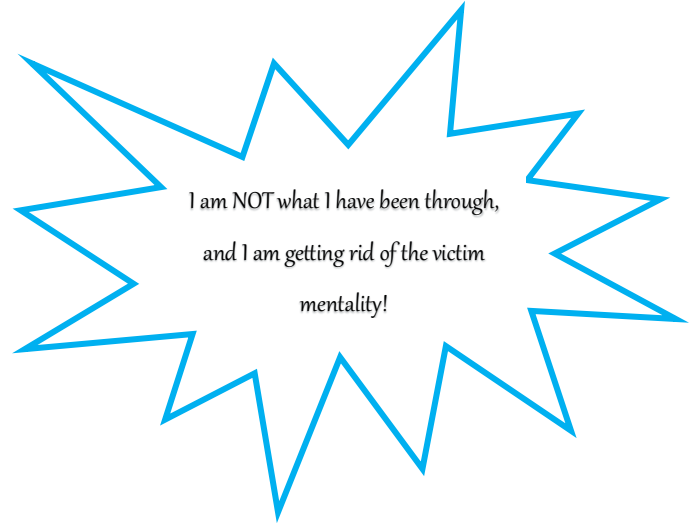
## Growing in Identity: Sonship Apostle Tony Wade

There are only two kingdoms. The kingdom of light (God) or the kingdom of darkness (devil). You can only be a part of one kingdom. Either you are God's child or the devil's. Many people believe "We are all God's children." That statement isn't biblical. According to the Bible, "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name." (John 1:12). We are all God's creation, but we are not all God's children. To become a son of God, you must accept Jesus as your savior. If you don't accept Jesus, God is not your Father, but the devil is. "You are of our father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do." (John 8:44 a).



**Ephesians 1:5** ~ having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.

- ⇒ Once you accept Jesus as your savior, you are born again into the royal family. The moment you give your life to Christ you are instantaneously a son of God, but you have to renew your mind to think, speak, and behave like royalty.
- ⇒ There is a process of growth and development that has to take place in your mind so you can live in your sonship.



**2 Samuel 9: 1 – 13**

**2 Samuel 16: 1 - 4**

- ⇒ Jonathan was the next in line and he knew David had the anointing to be king.
- ⇒ Favor isn't fair. Having a good attitude, being consistent, keeping your word, and demonstrating integrity can give you favor.
- ⇒ If you are not careful, people will put labels (invisible barriers) on you, and you will begin to identify with those labels. Those invisible barriers will shape how you view yourself.
- ⇒ Some people will only see you as a victim and identify you from your pain. Don't allow your pain to affect your identity.
- ⇒ You have to spend time with God to know who you are in Christ. God gives you your identity.
- ⇒ God shifts you, but your mind doesn't shift unless you work on it.
- ⇒ Honor all authority, even if you don't agree with the authority.
- ⇒ God has given you authority over some people in your life, but because you don't view yourself as God views you, those people are able to undercut and take advantage of you.
- ⇒ People will try to capitalize off of your pain because they want your spot. Discern who is around you?

- ⇒ When you are growing in sonship, you are growing in identity.
- ⇒ Mephibosheth viewed himself as a dead dog. He was born into royalty, but his mind was messed up.
  - Do others recognize the anointing on you?
  - Will your conduct cause you to lose favor?
  - What labels have you allowed to negatively influence your thoughts about yourself?
  - How do you view you? Do you see yourself from your earthly father's point of view or from your heavenly Father's point of view?
  - Do you know your identity (purpose) in Christ? If so, are you being obedient to the process of your refinement? If not, are you consistently spending time with God so He can reveal you to you?
  - Do you ask for sharper/clearer discernment?

2 Samuel 19:24 – 30  
1 Samuel 15:10

- ⇒ You want loyal committed people in your inner circle. Ziba is looking for an opportunity to take advantage of you.
- ⇒ When you build a team, you want those who are loyal, committed, and trustworthy.
- ⇒ Your team should consist of those who are loyal to you and to the cause. If they are only committed to the cause, they will look for an opportunity to use your cause to get ahead.
- ⇒ "Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15).
- ⇒ When the king was in pain, Mephibosheth was in pain. When the people on your team don't feel what you feel, you need to make an exit plan for them. If they exit on their own, their exit will cause you pain.
- ⇒ What you don't deal with, will deal with you.
- ⇒ Love yourself.
- ⇒ Be humble but confident.
- ⇒ Never betray God.
  - What are the characteristics of the people in your inner circle?

- Heart Check: Do you feel (rejoice or weep) with those around you?
- What barriers are keeping you from going to the next level with a renewed mindset?
- Would you want someone to love you like you love you?
- Are you humble and confident or arrogant and full of pride?
- Is there a price on your voice/character, that would cause you to betray God.

### Matthew 16:13

- Who does God say you are?
- Who does men say you are?
- Who do you believe you are?



### Mission

*The mission of Divine Life Memphis is founded in Ezekiel 34:16. To reach the lost, bring back the scattered, heal the broken, and strengthen the weak.*

### Vision

*The vision of Divine Life Memphis is to raise up a Faceless Army of equipped believers.*

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