

Part 2: A Greater Truth Grant Fishbook, Lead Teaching Pastor March 17 & 18, 2018

The Truth About Me Found in Genesis 1 & 2 I was created in the image of God,

uniquely and intentionally, for the purpose of glorying Jesus in everything I do. The fingerprints of God are on my soul.

The Original Lies You can be <u>like God</u>

God can't be trusted

There are no consequences for

choosing your own right and wrong You can <u>hide</u>

Satan steals my spiritual identity by

Lies about God

Truth about me

What the devil must be told is that for every truth about me, there is a greater truth about me! God made him who had no sin to be sin for

us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. -· 2 Corinthians 5:21

In order to reclaim our true identity,

we must choose between truth and lies. How do we do that? We choose to live by faith and not by sight.

Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as

we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. - 2 Corinthians 5:6-7

Faith or Sight? Faith = Own what we have done and confess it

Therefore confess your sins to each

other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer

of a righteous person is powerful and effective. - James 5:16 Sight = Blame others for where we are today.

Faith = Daily remind ourselves of how

being chosen! "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so

God sees us: worthy of

that you might go and bear fruit-fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you." - John 15:16 Sight = Believe that we are what we have done.

Faith = Accept a greater truth and live in that light.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,

God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. - 1 Peter 2:9 Sight = Continue to <u>hide</u> from ourselves, others and God.

Faith = God sees me as I truly am and

Sight = God sees me as I truly am and He

<u>it's OK</u>. (<u>Psalm 139</u>)

is perpetually disappointed.

affirm how God sees you. Ask God for

Next Steps It's time to start hearing truth. Take time this week to read these scriptures that

faith to believe what you read in these passages: *Psalm 139; Psalm 32, Psalm 51, 1 Corinthians 5:6-7 & 14-21; 2 Corinthians* 10:5; 1 John 1:9; 3:1-6, 4:7-21; John 8:31-36; Hebrews 4:16; Romans 8:9-17.

asks, "Who are you?"

Small Group Questions

2) What labels have people placed on you? Why?

How do you answer when someone

- 3) Satan uses the truth about us to
- accuse us of what we already know. How does 2 Corinthians 5:21 change that truth for you? 4) In what ways have you hidden from
- yourself, others and God? Are you still hiding? What would need to happen for you to come out of hiding?
- speaks to you? How will move from sight to faith? 6) What do you need prayer for today?

5) Which of the sight/faith choices