



Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move.

**City Group Icebreaker: Questions to Get You Talking**

- In your own words, what is “identity”?

**Key Scriptures:** *My heart took delight in all my work, and this was the reward for all my labor. Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind...Ecclesiastes 2:10-11*

*For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10*

**The Problem:** We base our identity in our abilities, accomplishments, and the opinion of others.

**Our Response:** Find our identify in what Christ has done for us and what he says about us.

**The Essential Questions:** By narrowing the focus on your work to questions such as these, you'll be able to appropriate a healthy spiritual vision for how your faith and family intersect.

- What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
- What are some of the “false” identities that people around you cling to? (for example: John's identity is that he is the “smart kid”)
- Why is it important to know what your identity is?
- What is dangerous about finding your identity in something that can change or be taken away?
- What's one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?

**Move Up.** Connect to Christ

- Have you ever taken the time to read the Bible and see what God thinks about you before? How does how God feels about you effect how you love Him?

**Move Out.** Connect to Culture.

- Do you think learning what God thinks about you should change the way you think and talk about others? And how does that impact how you love others?

**Move In.** Connect Culture to Christ.

- Stop what you are doing, and tell a stranger about how God feels about them. Right Now!
- **Examples:** *You are fearfully and wonderfully made in God's eyes. (Psalm 139:14) You are the salt and light of the world in God's eyes. (Matthew 5:13-14) You are complete in God's eyes. (Colossians 2:10) You are loved in God's eyes. (Jeremiah 31:3) You are worth delighting in. (Zephaniah 3:17) You are forgiven and redeemed in God's eyes. (Ephesians 1:7)*

**Why This Matters:** Finding our identity in Christ frees us to: love more, risk more, and fear less.

**We Our Pastor(s) want you to:**

- **KNOW:** When we place our faith in Christ, we receive a new identity as a child of God because of what Christ has done.
- **EXPERIENCE:** Greater security, confidence, and freedom because we don't have to perform for others to be liked, accepted, or known.
- **DO:** Rest in their identity in Christ