

TRUE IDENTITY

A Deep Dive Into The Book Of Ephesians

EPHESIANS 6:10-20

BRING PEACE

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Ephesians 1:11–14

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

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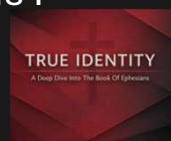
Ephesians 6:10–20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having



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fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

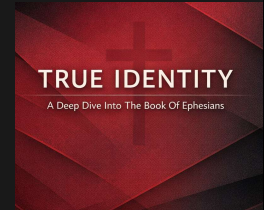


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All Believers

- Salvation is more than about a destination
- Every believer has everything needed to share the gospel
 - The Holy Spirit
 - Your intersection of faith and life



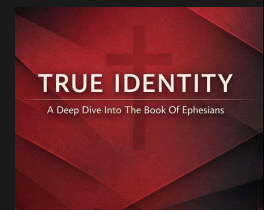
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All Believers

The Battle Rages

- Spiritual warfare continues
- Attempts to stop the gospel
- Doubt and fear to share for believers
- Deception and resistance for non-believers



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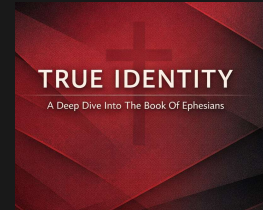
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Know The War Is Won

- Depend on the certainty of following the leadership of the Holy Spirit
- Realizing the joy of sharing the gospel
- Obedience is a victory

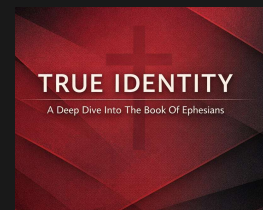


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Shoe Are Worn For Moving

- “As you go...” proclaim the gospel
- Depend on the power of the gospel
- Do not engage in battle without God’s shoes



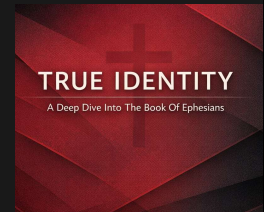
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Be Ready

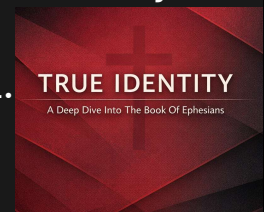
- Spoken and living testimony - 1 Peter 3:13–17



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Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.



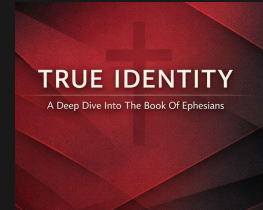
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- Spoken and living testimony - 1 Peter 3:13–17
 - Walk with the Holy Spirit - Colossians 4:5–6
- Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.



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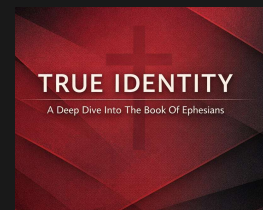
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Evidence Made Known – Matthew 22:37-40

- Loving God with your all heart, soul, and mind
 - Forgiveness
 - Compassion
- Loving your neighbors as yourself
 - Identity in Christ
 - Understanding your neighbors
 - Burden for salvation



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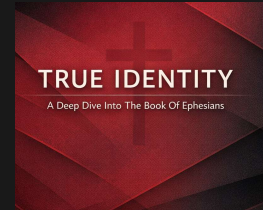
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Lead By The Spirit And Not Compulsion

- You cannot force anyone salvation
- You cannot save anyone
- You can do nothing without Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit... not your shoes

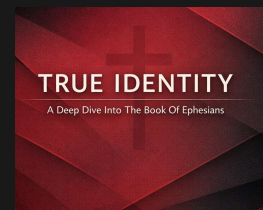


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Purity Of The Gospel

- God's gospel message does not change
- God does not need anyone to change the gospel



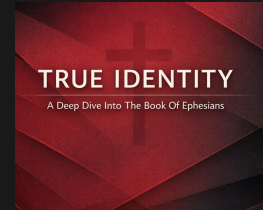
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Purity Of The Gospel

Power Of Reconciliation

- Not your own actions - Ephesians 2:8–10
For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.



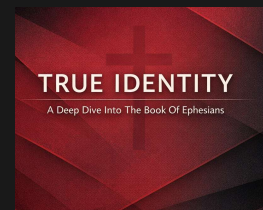
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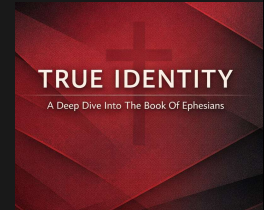
- Not your own actions - Ephesians 2:8–10
- Once an enemy now a child - Ephesians 2:12–19
- New life - Colossians 1:21–23



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Colossians 1:21–23

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.



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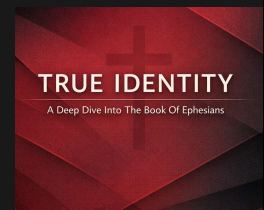
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Purity Of The Gospel

Power Of Reconciliation

Power Of Proclamation

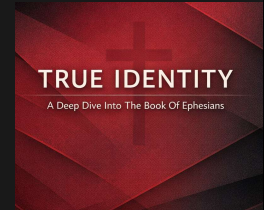
- Necessity to hear the gospel
- All called to proclaim - Romans 10:14–15



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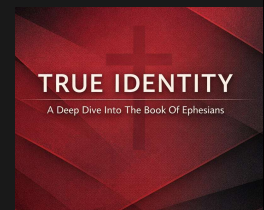
How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”



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PREPARED FOR PEACE

- Purity Of The Gospel
- Power Of Reconciliation
- Power Of Proclamation
- Privilege Not Need
- Joy of obedience
- Joy of discipleship



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THIS SHOES ARE MADE FOR SHARING...

