BEGIN WITH JESUS

Knowing Your Identity in Christ

Through faith in Jesus Christ, you belong to God and are called to live in His truth. Receive your identity in Him, reject the lies of the enemy, and walk in the power of the life He gives.

Scripture study: KJV | Original teaching and prayer | Prepared with AI assistance

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Biblical foundation

Colossians 1:9-14 - The Father has brought believers into His Son’s kingdom, where redemption and forgiveness are found. Paul prays that they will live fruitfully and endure with strength.

Romans 6:1-14 - Union with Christ’s death and resurrection grounds a decisive response to sin and a life yielded to God.

Romans 8:14-17 - God’s Spirit leads believers as His children, giving assurance of adoption and hope as they share Christ’s suffering and future glory.

Ephesians 2:11-22 - Through Christ, those once far away are brought near to the Father and built together as His people.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 - New life in Christ flows from reconciliation with God and leads into a life representing His reconciling message.

Original teaching

Know to whom you belong

Jesus Christ redeems those who trust Him. The Father receives them into His family, forgives their sins, and brings them under the lordship of His Son. Let these truths settle deeply in your heart. You belong to the Lord who shed His blood for you, rose from the dead, and calls you into fellowship with Himself.

Your past must bow to the truth of Christ. Sin can be confessed, shame can be brought into the light, and the names people have placed upon you can be tested by God’s Word. Receive what the Father says about His children. Let gratitude replace the habit of rehearsing accusations, and let faith rise as you consider the grace you have received.

Yield your life to the One who redeemed you

Identity in Christ carries a call to holiness. Romans 6 teaches believers to yield themselves to God because they have been joined to Christ. Put that truth into action. Refuse to serve the sin that once directed your life. Offer your body, speech, work, and relationships to the Lord. The Holy Spirit gives strength for this surrendered life.

When temptation or accusation comes, stand on the truth and respond with obedience. Confess any real sin promptly. Reject the lie that you must return to the life from which

Christ has called you. His lordship reaches every place where old habits have claimed your agreement. Ask Him to establish purity, courage, and steadfast love within you.

Stand as part of God’s household

The Father has joined you to a people. Receive the teaching, prayer, correction, and encouragement of a faithful church, and offer your gifts in service. Belonging becomes visible in love. Learn to honor other believers, forgive offenses, and carry responsibility in the body of Christ. You are called to grow and help others grow.

Suffering does not cancel the Father’s care. Romans 8 joins adoption with endurance and the hope of glory. Hold firmly to Jesus through every season. Torch of Christ affirms His present power to heal and deliver. Seek Him boldly, stand against the enemy, and continue in faith. Let your confidence in Christ produce a humble, holy, and courageous life.

Preparation for prayer

- Identify an accusation or old label you have been accepting.
- Read one foundation passage and receive what it says to those who trust Christ.
- Name an area of your conduct that needs to come fully under His lordship.

A complete prayer

Pray in faith, trusting Jesus Christ and the authority of His Word.

Father, I praise You for bringing me near through Jesus Christ. Thank You for the blood of Your Son, for the forgiveness of sin, and for the gift of belonging to Your household. I receive Your mercy with faith and gratitude. Establish Your truth within me until it shapes the way I think, speak, and live.

Jesus, You are my Redeemer and my Lord. I surrender every place where I have allowed the past to rule my understanding. Bring my sin into the light and cleanse me as I repent. Heal the wounds connected with rejection, betrayal, and humiliation. Let Your voice through Scripture become stronger in my heart than the accusations I have carried.

I renounce agreement with every lie that contradicts Your truth. I reject the claim that I must remain a slave to the sins from which You call me. I reject the accusation that repentance is pointless or that Your mercy cannot reach me. My life is under Your lordship. Establish Your victory in the places where fear and shame have weakened my obedience.

Holy Spirit, fill me with the assurance of belonging to the Father and with power to live as His child. Strengthen me to refuse temptation, speak honestly, love deeply, and walk in purity. Teach me to bring every part of my body and every part of my day into the service of Jesus. Let the life of Christ become visible in me.

Father, root me among Your people. Make me humble enough to receive correction and courageous enough to serve. Sustain me through suffering and establish my hope in the glory to come. I offer You the gifts, relationships, and opportunities You have entrusted to me. Let my life bear witness that Jesus Christ redeems, restores, and gives new life. I stand upon Your truth and follow Your Son. In His mighty name. Amen.

A brief prayer

Father, through Jesus Christ You have brought me near and called me Your child. Establish that truth in my heart. I renounce agreement with the lies that bind me to shame and past sin. Fill me with the Holy Spirit and strengthen me to live under Christ's lordship. Make holiness, love, and courage visible in my life. Root me among Your people and keep my hope firmly fixed on Jesus. Amen.

Walk in freedom

- Write down one truth from a foundation passage and speak it in prayer with gratitude.
- Reject a specific lie you have accepted and replace your agreement with the truth of Scripture.
- Yield one recurring area of temptation to Christ through a clear act of obedience.
- Gather with a faithful church and serve others from the grace you have received.

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