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WE'RE IN!

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MESSAGE NOTES

When we don't know who we are, or if we have _____ ideas about who we are...it will impact everything about our life..

The more we realize that "we're in...in Christ", it will shape our understanding of our REAL ID in profound and very _____ ways.

1. The _____ Picture

What it means to be *in Christ* is a _____ theme in the New Testament.

The Apostle Paul used this expression the most (about _____ times).

The Apostle _____ also uses this expression... (note [John 15:4a, 5; 17:20-23](#)).

- "_____ in Christ" (note [Ephesians 2:10](#))
- "seated with Christ in heavenly places" (note [Ephesians 2:6](#))
- He "_____ in our hearts" ([Ephesians 3:17](#))
- Christ is "in us" (note [2 Corinthians 13:5](#)) and we're "in Him" (note [1 Corinthians 1:30](#)).
- In Christ we're _____ (note [Romans 8:1](#))...
- ...glorified (note [Romans 8:30](#))...
- ...sanctified (note [1 Corinthians 1:2](#))...
- ..._____ (note [1 Corinthians 1:9](#))...
- ...made alive (note [Ephesians 2:5](#))...
- ...created _____ (note [2 Corinthians 5:17](#))...
- ...adopted (note [Galatians 3:26](#))
- And He "_____ us" (note [Ephesians 1:4](#)).

2. At the _____ of it All

The clearest and most _____ definition of the gospel is 1 Corinthians 15:1-8..

Note Galatians 2:20; Colossians 2:12; Romans 6:3-5

- A. I am in Christ's crucifixion/_____—not only did Jesus die _____ us; He also died _____ of us. And when He died for us and instead of us, He also placed us “in Him”, so we were crucified with Him. Note Matthew 27:37 and Colossians 2:14-15.
- B. I am in Christ's _____ (note Colossians 2:12a) - our _____ has been buried with Jesus (note Psalms 103:10-12; Isaiah 1:18; 38:17; 43:25; 1 John 1:9).
- C. I am _____ with Christ (note Colossians 2:12-13) - We have been raised with Jesus so we now have the option and _____ to live a new life (note Romans 6:4-7, 11). Our old nature has one _____ setting...but if we are *in Christ* we are given a _____ nature (note Galatians 5:16-17, 24-25)...

Where are you finding your REAL ID:

- Also this is what _____ symbolizes...
- Being *in Christ* _____ everything in our lives.
- Are you *in Christ* (said Yes to Jesus as Lord)?
- If you have said Yes to Jesus as Lord, who/what is _____ your REAL ID?

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

Icebreaker: Would you rather give a 30-minute speech in front of 500 people, or spend a week alone in the woods? Why?

1. What are some of the things you've been "in", in your life? How did it make you feel to be on the inside instead of the outside?
2. Discuss how the "in" statements from point one in the Message Notes affect the lives of Jesus followers. Take time to read the related passages of those that stand out most to you.
3. Pastor Tom pointed us to [1 Corinthians 15:1-8](#) as the clearest presentation of the Gospel. How have you or others muddied that simplicity, and what have been the results?
4. What things are different in your life due to being in Christ's death, burial and resurrection? ([Galatians 5:16-26](#)) Or alternatively, what would your life look like if you weren't a Jesus follower, according to this passage?
5. Have you said your own YES! to Jesus? What's stopping you from finding your REAL ID in Jesus? ([2 Corinthians 6:1-2](#)) If you're already a Jesus follower, what step do you need to take to find more of your identity in Him? ([John 15:4-5](#))

Day One: [2 Corinthians 6](#)

Day Two: [2 Corinthians 7](#)

Day Three: [2 Corinthians 8](#)

Day Four: [2 Corinthians 9](#)

Day Five: [2 Corinthians 10](#)

PERSONAL GUIDE



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1. The Big Picture

What it means to be *in Christ* is a dominant theme in the New Testament.

The Apostle Paul used this expression the most (about 200 times).

The Apostle John also uses this expression... (note John 15:4a, 5; 17:20-23).

- "created in Christ" (note Ephesians 2:10)
- "seated with Christ in heavenly places" (note Ephesians 2:6)
- He "dwells in our hearts" (Ephesians 3:17)
- Christ is "in us" (note 2 Corinthians 13:5) and we're "in Him" (note 1 Corinthians 1:30).
- In Christ we're justified (note Romans 8:1)...
- ...glorified (note Romans 8:30)...
- ...sanctified (note 1 Corinthians 1:2)...
- ...called (note 1 Corinthians 1:9)...
- ...made alive (note Ephesians 2:5)...
- ...created anew (note 2 Corinthians 5:17)...
- ...adopted (note Galatians 3:26)
- And He "chose us" (note Ephesians 1:4).

2. At the Heart of it All

The clearest and most concise definition of the gospel is 1 Corinthians 15:1-8..

Note Galatians 2:20; Colossians 2:12; Romans 6:3-5

- A. I am in Christ's crucifixion/death—not only did Jesus die for us; He also died instead of us. And when He died for us and instead of us, He also placed us “in Him”, so we were crucified with Him. Note Matthew 27:37 and Colossians 2:14-15.
- B. I am in Christ's burial (note Colossians 2:12a) - our past has been buried with Jesus (note Psalms 103:10-12; Isaiah 1:18; 38:17; 43:25; 1 John 1:9).
- C. I am raised with Christ (note Colossians 2:12-13) - We have been raised with Jesus so we now have the option and ability to live a new life (note Romans 6:4-7, 11). Our old nature has one default setting...but if we are *in Christ* we are given a new nature (note Galatians 5:16-17, 24-25)...

Where are you finding your REAL ID:

- Also this is what baptism symbolizes...
- Being *in Christ* changes everything in our lives.
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