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Your group matters.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Icebreaker: What is your favorite thing to do on a rainy day and when was the last time you were able to do so?

1. As Pastor Nate asked us who we are, he said “We often answer this question with the things that we do.” When asked the question, “Who are you?” what is your gut-level response? Read [1 Peter 2:9](#) to see how God sees you if you’re a Christ-follower.
2. We are chosen. Read [Ephesians 1:4](#), [1 John 4:19](#) and [Galatians 3:28](#). How does being chosen by God help you understand your value to Him?
3. As a Christ-follower, you are a royal priest. Read [Exodus 19:5b-6a](#) and [Hebrews 4:14-16](#). Pastor Nate said, this “...position and privilege are not for you to acquire and be admired. Instead, you gain the power and opportunity to spend your life serving others.” How does this statement encourage and/or challenge you?
4. We are holy - “made pure and separated out.” This one is challenging for most people. We know what we think, feel and do, and it often seems far less than “holy.” Read [2 Timothy 2:19-21](#). How does knowing we are “made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work” affect our understanding of who we are in Christ?
5. Read [Zephaniah 3:17](#), [1 John 3:1a](#). We are special to God. How do God's actual words about you compare to your *perception* of how God thinks of you?
6. Read [1 Peter 2:9b](#) and [Ephesians 2:8-10](#). “What you do does not define who you are...instead who you are defines what you do!” Pastor Nate made this important distinction. How should this truth change your life and affect people you meet this week?

Day One: [Psalm 2](#)

Day Two: [Proverbs 2](#)

Day Three: [Joshua 2](#)

Day Four: [Isaiah 2](#)

Day Five: [Acts 2](#)

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PERSONAL GUIDE



Your story matters.



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 - As a royal priest your position and privilege are not for you to _____ and be _____. Instead, you gain the _____ and _____ to spend your life serving others.
- Holy (2 Timothy 2:21)
 - Made _____ and _____ out.
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In Jesus this is your identity, and it is _____ identity _____.

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- Ask yourself the question, "Who am I?" and _____ yourself of the _____!
- Since we are His, we have the _____ of sharing the _____ of God with others.

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In Jesus this is your identity, and it is our identity together.

Where are you finding your REAL ID:

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