

# **DNA – Baptized into Christ**

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### Open in Prayer.

## Our DNA tells a story.

When you see a photo of DNA, what comes to mind? What story does your DNA tell?

DNA ia a story of a miraculous creation that was corrupted by sin and death.

### Read Romans 5:12

 While our DNA is an amazing creation of who we are made in His image, what happened to us and by us?

But God <u>rewrites</u> our story by replacing our DNA with Jesus' DNA.

#### Read Romans 6:3-5

Pastor Derwin gave an amazing illustration of our lives before Jesus and after His death and resurrection. Take time to explain and respond to this illustration.

- How was our DNA replaced with Jesus' DNA?
- What does it mean to be united with Jesus in the likeness of His death? In the likeness of His resurrection?

# Loved

## Indwelt

#### Read Ephesians 2:1-5

- How does Paul describe us in verse 1, before being united to Jesus? Does this refer to physical death or spiritual death? What does it mean to be spiritually dead?
- What was the "Upward" action in verse 4 that gives us life in Him?
- What does it mean to you that we're indwelt by our Savior? How does this "Inward" reality change how you live?

## **F**ellowship

**E**mpowered to conquer <u>sin</u>. (Make <u>holiness</u> great again.)

### Read Romans 6:3-6

- We've seen that we were dead and full of sin without Jesus. Then, through His love, we are made new and connected to Him. Where did this happen according to Romans 6?
- What happened to our old self? What happened to the power of sin?
- Our old nature was ruled by sin. Now we're ruled and empowered by Whom?
- How does this translate into living an "Outward" life?

## Our DNA tells a new story, it's Jesus' Story!

Our old DNA is gone! Our new DNA tells a new story – His Story in and through us. In what ways
does this set you free?

Soul-tattoo: Memorize Romans 6:3-6