



Episode 25: Your Identity in Christ & Why it Matters

EPISODE NOTES

Summary:

Have you ever felt trapped by labels that don't truly define you? Pastor Derwin unpacks how our identity in Christ transforms everything—from marriages to careers to life's toughest valleys. Through powerful insights into being "in Christ," he reveals how God's grace gives us a new identity that's unshakeable. Drawing from 2 Corinthians 5:17, he shows how we're not just slightly improved versions of ourselves, but entirely new creations. Whether you're wrestling with performance pressure or people-pleasing, this message offers practical steps to live from your true identity. Don't miss this life-changing perspective on who you really are in Christ!

In This Episode You Will Learn:

- 1. Identity shapes how you live** Your beliefs about who you are directly influence your decisions, relationships, and ability to handle life's challenges. False identities lead to exhaustion, fear, and shame.
- 2. What "in Christ" really means** Being "in Christ" means Jesus lived the perfect life you couldn't live, died the death you deserved, and rose again—giving you a completely new identity and location spiritually at the Father's right hand.
- 3. Three common false identities to avoid:**
 1. The Performance ID (I am what I achieve)
 2. The People Pleaser ID (I am what others think of me)
 3. The Pain ID (I am what I've been through)
- 4. Your true identity in Christ includes:**
 1. You are God's beloved child (adopted into His family)
 2. You are completely forgiven (no condemnation)
 3. You are empowered (the resurrection power lives in you)
 4. You are sent on mission (saved for something, not just from something)
- 5. Three daily practices to live from your true identity:**
 1. Preach the gospel to yourself daily
 2. Pray your identity (turn truths into prayers)
 3. Practice your identity (forgive because you're forgiven, love because you're loved)

QUOTES

- "Identity shapes destiny"
- "You'll never live beyond what you believe about yourself"
- "Your past sins does not define you. God's grace does"
- "You're not just saved from something, you're saved for something"

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