Searching for Significance Identity in Christ

October 17, 2021

Life Group Study

For week of October 17, 2021

Who are you in creation?

Genesis 1:1 & 26 | Proverbs 23:7

Who were you (before you were placed in Christ and His Church? Ephesians 2:1-5 | Mark 10:17-18 | Matthew 7:15-20; 15:18-20 | Luke 10:3 2 Peter 2:12 | Romans 3:23

Who are you (in Christ and His Church)?

Ephesians 1:1-14 | Romans 3:21-26

- You are a saint.
- You are described as "faithful in Christ Jesus".
- You are a son.
- You are blessed.
- You are chosen.
- You are in Him.
- You are God's belonging.
- You are a recipient of His Grace.
- You are redeemed and forgiven.
- You are the possessor of a revelation (mystery).
- You are the possessor of an inheritance.

Is joining a Life Group your next step? Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! https://rlc.pub/groups

Share your story

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

Choose an emoji that best describes your week?

















Why did you choose that one?

How can finding your significance in Jesus help us no matter what kind of week we may be having?

Connect to God's story

Read Ephesians 1:3-14.

What are the blessings that Paul is writing the Ephesians about? What kind of blessings have you received? Why is it important to praise God when you've been blessed?

How does worshiping God and thanking Him for the blessings he has given you help when you are feeling insignificant?

Why is it important to understand that we are chosen *in* Christ (reread verses 5 & 11) when considering these spiritual blessings? Is it difficult to believe we have the same blessings Paul shares with the Ephesians because we are in Christ?

What does it mean that God adopted you into his own family through Jesus Christ? How does being a child of God change the way you view your significance?

How does knowing you have an inheritance from God help you endure your present hardships? What is this inheritance? (see v. 14)

Why do you think it is important to be reminded of who we are?

Now what?

So starting this week consider doing one or more of the following:

- Write "I am holy and without fault in God's eyes!" on a note card and tape it to your bathroom mirror so that you see it each day. Remind yourself daily of how God sees you and thank Jesus for it!
- 2. God has lavished his grace on you through Jesus so think of someone in your life to whom you can give some extra grace. Then determine several ways you can show extra grace to him or her.
- 3. Take some time to notice God's blessings on your life and worship him for it.

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through meaningful relationships with Jesus and each other through the study of God's Word (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24-25).

Here's how we accomplish this in our community throughout the week:

SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "sharing questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life by following Jesus.

SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting real needs.

SERVE

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. The role each of us fills is important to the health of the church and for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community in which we live (Ephesians 4:11-16).

Throughout the quarter, it is our hope that you can find and/or be affirmed in the ways God has designed you to serve and make a difference in God's kingdom!