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intro:

"Anyone who has discovered who God has made them to be would never want to be anyone else"

Bill Johnson

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Proverbs 29:25 Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is kept safe.



Definition:

"The fear of man is being more impressed with man's reaction to our actions than with God's reaction. That's bondage. When we have the fear of God upon us, we are impressed only with God's reaction. We are freed from the concern of what people think. That's freedom! That's release! That's great relief!" -Joy Dawson, "Intimate Friendship With God Through Understanding the Fear of the Lord", p. 33.

You obey the one you fear

What and who validates you? What and who defines your true identity?



The Bible says that our real problem is that every one of us is building our identity on something besides Jesus.

Timothy Keller

- 1. Brokenness
- 2. Confusion
- 3. Jesus as our Example



3. Jesus as our Example:

Matthew 3:16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

3. Jesus as our Example:

Matthew 4:3 The tempter came to Him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

Matthew 4:5 Then the devil took Him to the holy city and had Him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down.

4. Finding your identity I Finding your 'clothes':

Genesis 2:25 And the man and his wife

were both naked and were not ashamed.



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Genesis 3:4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked.

And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. 8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to

Galatians 3:27 (HCSB)

For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ like a garment.

Romans 13:14

But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no plans to satisfy the fleshly desires.

4. Only God: #BeAnchored in true ID

Look to God, the giver of life:

Genesis 2:7 Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

Job 33:4 "The Spirit of God has made me, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

Psalm 139:13-14 (AMP)

For You formed my innermost parts; You knit me [together] in my mother's womb. 14 I will give thanks and praise to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well.

Only God gives IDENTITY and it is found in His Son, Jesus Christ

5. IN CHRIST:

Matthew 16: 15 "But you," He asked them, "who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God!" 17 And Jesus responded, "Simon son of Jonah, you are blessed because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the forces of Hades will not overpower it.

5. IN CHRIST:

BAPTISM...

Romans 6:3-5 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5. IN CHRIST:

Romans 6:3-5 ...5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection.

Ephesians 2:5-6...even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

new creation

2 Corinthians 5:17 (HCSB)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away, and look, new things have come.



dead man

Galatians 2:20 AMP

I have been crucified with Christ [that is, in Him I have shared His crucifixion]; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body I live by faith [by adhering to, relying on, and completely trusting] in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

The devil can't condemn, deceive, kill, steal and destroy a 'dead man'.





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