



Sermon Notes: Identity & Relationships

1. How should you see and treat non-Christians?

a. As made in God's image.

b. As spiritually dead.

c. As redeemable.

2. How should you see and treat fellow Christians?

a. As righteous and holy.

b. As loved by God and adopted into his family.

c. As dependent upon the indwelling power of God.

d. As critical members of a healthy church.



Gospel Applications: Identity & Relationships

1. What voice inside your head tells you you're not good enough? Is it a father/mother, a former teacher, a coworker or boss, another peer group? Is it yourself? Why that voice? What effect has this narrative had on you?
2. What are some ways you've tried to prove yourself over the years? What are some ways you're trying to prove yourself right now? Who are you trying to prove yourself to?
3. The message of the Gospel is not, "Don't sweat it, you're good enough just as you are." In fact, it says you're *not* good enough. So how is the Gospel good news for people who feel like they'll never be good enough?
4. What are some default ways Christians tend to view non-Christians? Without thinking about it, what are we assuming about their core identity?
5. What kinds of reactions/interactions are the direct byproduct of #4?
6. What do you most need to change about the way you see non-believers? Practically, how would this change show itself in everyday life?
7. If you were to reverse engineer how Christians view other Christians by the way they treat them and talk about them, what would you conclude?
8. What do you most need to change about the way you see other believers? Practically, how would this change show itself in everyday life?
9. What's the one way you most wish that other Christians would remind you of your true identity in Christ?
10. What one thing will you do with this message this week?