

“HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST?”

A. Knowing Your Identity in Jesus is Vital to You Successfully Living the Christian Life

1. You need to recognize that the ultimate purpose of your life is to _____, not to be happy. (John 11:4; 14:13; 15:8; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 10:31; Eph. 1:3-12; 2 Thess. 1:7-12)

2. You need to recognize your Lord determines the _____ for discipleship and service, not you. (Mark 8:35-38; Luke 9:18-26; 57-62)

* What might be some problems that confront us if we lose our lives for Christ's sake?

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3. You need to daily reckon yourself to be _____ to sin and _____ unto God through Jesus Christ and _____ yourself to the Lord to serve Him under the rule of grace.

* Romans 6:1-14

a. From this passage it is clear that we have legally _____ to our sin nature, we have been _____ separated from its right to rule in our life.

b. Because of Christ's cross we now have a _____; our sin nature has been put _____ of _____, made legally inoperative.

- c. Your faith does _____ make this a reality (it's already a reality); but your faith makes it fully _____ in a practical way and then appropriated.

* Romans 7:15-25

- d. God does not change your sin nature at salvation, He merely changes your _____ to it.

* Why do so many believers live in spiritual defeat?

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2)

3)

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4. You need to _____ upon Jesus Christ via the _____ _____ to lead and enable you to live a God-glorifying life.

* Romans 8:1-2

* When should you begin to apply these truths in your own life?