GROUPS

TALK IT OVER

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BOTTOM LINE

Quality of life begins with knowing WHO you are, and more importantly to WHOM you belong.

CONVERSATION STARTER

Share three identifying sentences about yourself. Or tell the group something you have never done that might surprise them.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointe.org/thedaily
- Advise from Craig Groeschel on <u>finding your true identity</u>

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine. Daniel 1:8 NIV

If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong the world... That is why the world hates you. John 15:19 NIV

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:9-10 NIV

"A true friend will always strive to remind you who you are." - Jonathan Wood

"If you don't know who you are, then anyone can decide it for you." – Jonathan Wood

"It ain't what they call you; it's what you answer to." - W. C. Fields

"In all of Israel, only a select handful of people knew their identity so well that they never stopped living it. But their knowledge of who they were was so strong it changed the majority of the culture around them." – Jonathan Wood

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From where do you feel you get your information about yourself? What do you look for in "quality of life"? Whose approval or disapproval impacts you most? How does the devil try to change your name? When someone wants to label you, your immediate response should be "Who am I?" How do you figure that out? Your belief determines your behavior, which creates your habits, and shapes your identity (who you are). How do you currently see that playing out in your life? How should you/could you make changes? If you know who you are, you will always stand out in a world of people who have lost their identity. Discuss how that worked for Daniel and friends and how it will work for you.

ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I will evaluate my identity and where I have allowed myself to be labeled. I will find my identity in Christ as I _____.

My Action Step: ____

