

Self Discovery

Ever since God created mankind, we've been asking the question, "Who am I?" or "What is my purpose?" And we've attempted to answer this question by identifying ourselves by:

1. Our names
2. Our professions
3. Our personalities
4. Our strengths or weaknesses
5. Our fears

It is this identity crisis that has led many in the church into demonic bondage. If you can't identify who you are, you're identify with how you are.

Every proclamation we make in regards to ourselves start with "I am." Behind this statement is an identifying statement designed to describe who we are, who we think we are, and how we feel. But I am is a declaration; it is not just a statement as we've come to believe, it is a proclamation and, in the realm of the spirit, these words have weight.

Exodus 3:13-14: And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you."

John 8:57-59: Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

Over the course of your life, the enemy has waged war against your identity. Why is this? Because if you know who you are, you'll become a weapon that does not fail when it is aimed at his kingdom. So, he has worked tirelessly to ensure that you identify yourself by your feelings, your relationship status, your economic status, your looks or whatever it is that he can get you to focus your attention on. If he can change the words behind "I am" in your life, he can change the trajectory of your life.

So, the question is... who are you?

1. You are the righteousness of God through Christ Jesus (2 Corinthians 5:21)
2. You are healed (Isaiah 53:5)
3. You are saved (Romans 10:13)
4. You are Holy Spirit filled (Romans 15:13)
5. You are sanctified (Hebrews 10:10)
6. You are the head and not the tail (Deuteronomy 28:13)

7. You are the lender and not the borrower (Deuteronomy 15:6)

8. You are a weapon formed against the kingdom of darkness (Mark 16:17-18)

Of course, these are just a few of your identifying marks.

But what is your purpose?

“Your purpose is to destroy the works of the enemy.

Our calling is to become like Christ” (Apostle Bryan Meadows).

But God uses several avenues to get us to accomplish our purpose, and these avenues are oftentimes our professions.

There are mini-identifiers that we use to understand ourselves, and these help us to form right relationships. For example, some of us are introverts, some are extroverts and some are ambiverts.