



I Am Known

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Message Notes

The Holy Spirit, God residing in you, knows you fully. Listen to Him. Talk to Him.

3 Common ways we settle for find our identity in the approval of others:

1. Acceptance - "You'll only be accepted if you pretend to be like them"
2. Performance - "Earn their approval by showing them what you can produce"
3. People-Pleasing - "They will only like you if you say yes to everything they ask"

It's not the pretend version of you God is interested in. It's the real version of you he knows and loves.

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 6:17-18; John 10:1-5, 10

Discussion Guide

ENGAGE

1. Share the last things you listened to in your car and why you were listening to that.

Read Ephesians 6:17-18. How do "Salvation", "Spirit", "Word of God", and "Praying in the Spirit" relate to your identity as a Jesus follower?

2. How can you tell the difference between living for the approval of people and living from the approval of God?
3. How does it make you feel that you are fully known by God? How can that help you have real conversations with Him rather than trying to pretend with Him?
4. "You are not my enemy." "Comparison is a liar." "Live with peace." "I am known." Which of these four statements has been most helpful for you in fighting against the lies of the enemy and standing firm in your identity in Christ?

APPLY

Read the following verses that give you a glimpse into your identity in Christ.

- John 15:5
- 1 Corinthians 6:19
- Ephesians 1:1-4
- Ephesians 3:19
- Ephesians 1:8
- Romans 8:35-39
- 2 Timothy 1:7
- Ephesians 2:10

Put the stickers you've gotten through this series somewhere people will see and ask you about them. Tell them about what you learned this series then invite them to sit with you at church.

PRAY