

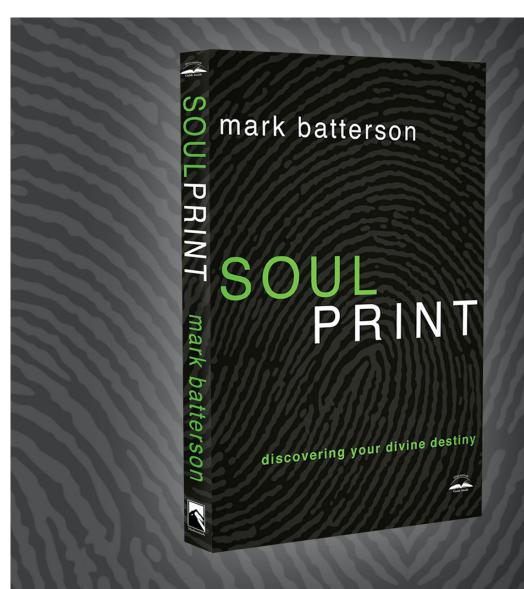
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WHO GOD SAYS YOU ARE

Discovering All That God Intended You To Be

A 5-PART SERIES





Discover Your Divine Destiny

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Who are you?



For we are God's masterpiece.

He has created us anew in Christ Jesus,
so we can do the good things
he planned for us long ago.

Ephesians 2: 10 NLT



For consider what he (God) has done before the foundation of the world
he chose us to become,
in Christ (Jesus),
his holy and blameless (innocent) children
living within his constant care (in love).

Ephesians 1: 4 PHILLIPS





Message Three: You Are Chosen

The significance of being chosen.



You were born for significance. You were designed by God to advance his kingdom on earth and leave a legacy to your family and future generations. You have been invited into a lifelong journey to discover all that God intended you to be. Once you discover who God made you to be, you'll never want to be anyone else.

Bill Johnson: Born for Significance

KING DAVID

"... I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem.
I have chosen one of his (seven) sons to be king."...

"You are to anoint for me the one I indicate (choose)."

But the Lord said to Samuel,

"Do not consider his appearance or his height, ...

The Lord does not look at the things people look at.

People look at the outward appearance,

but the Lord looks at the heart."

"Rise and anoint him (David); this is the one (chosen one)."

1 Samuel 16: 1b, 3b, 7-8 & 12b

YOU ARE NOT ...

... a mistake (accident).

... your past (what you have done).

... your self-worth or lack thereof.

... what others have done to you.

... what others think about you.

... what others have labeled you.



YOU ARE ...

... God's unique creation (Psalm 139).

... God's masterpiece (Ephesians 2: 10).

... God's new creation (2 Corinthians 5: 17).

... chosen before creation (Ephesians 1: 4).

... God's son or daughter (2 Corinthians 6: 18).

... called by a new name (Isaiah 62: 2).



3 EXAMPLES OF NEW NAME (ID)

- 1. GIDEON: Judges 6: 12 "The Lord is with you, O mighty man of valor." NKJV
- 2. ISAIAH THE PROPHET: Isaiah 62: 4

"You'll get a brand-new name straight from the mouth of God." MSG

3. PETER (SIMON): Matthew 16: 17-18 "I give you the name Peter, a stone." TPT



... for you are a chosen people (treasure). You are royal priests, a holy (spiritual) nation, God's very own (special) possession. As a result, you can show others (broadcast) the goodness (glorious wonders) of God, for he called you out of darkness into his wonderful (marvelous) light. "Once you had no identity as a people;" now you are God's people (chosen). ...

1 Peter 2: 9-10 NLT



You are chosen!



The dullest and most uninteresting person you can talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now,

you would be strongly tempted to worship ...

It is in the light of these overwhelming possibilities

that we should conduct

all our dealings with one another,

all friendships, all loves, all play, all politics.

There are no ordinary people.

C. S. Lewis: *The Weight of Glory*

You have never talked to a mere mortal.



You are invited!



3 QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. Are you stuck in your past, your mistakes, your selfworth (or lack thereof), what others have done to (offenses), think about or have labeled you?
- 2. Has God revealed to you your new name and your new identity in Him? If not, how can you discover you're "True ID"?
- 3. How should understanding who we are in Jesus impact how we treat one another?