Our Identity in Christ - Jennifer Smith

Before we can believe who God says we are we need to believe who He is and in doing so find our security and identity in Him.

5 Statements

- 1. God is who He says He is.
- 2. God can do what He says He can do.
- 3. I am who God says I am.
- 4. I can do all things in Christ.
- 5. God's word is alive and active in me.

Some of the Names and Character of God

- 1. El Shaddai (Lord God Almighty)
- 2. El Elyon (The Most High God)
- 3. Adonai (Lord, Master)
- 4. Yahweh (Lord, Jehovah)
- 5. Jehovah Nissi (The Lord My Banner)
- 6. Jehovah Raah (The Lord My Shepherd)
- 7. Jehovah Rapha (The Lord That Heals)
- 8. Jehovah Shammah (The Lord Is There)
- 9. Jehovah Tsidkenu (The Lord Our Righteousness)
- 10. Jehovah Mekoddishkem (The Lord Who Sanctifies You)
- 11. El Olam (The Everlasting God)
- 12. Elohim (God)
- 13. Qanna (Jealous)
- 14. Jehovah Jireh (The Lord Will Provide)
- 15. Jehovah Shalom (The Lord Is Peace)
- 16. Jehovah Sabaoth (The Lord of Hosts)

"I Am" Statements of Jesus

- 1. And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst" (John 6:35).
- 2. Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life" (John 8:12).
- 3. "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture" (John 10:9).
- 4. "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep" (John 10:11).
- 5. Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live" (John 11:25).
- 6. Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).
- 7. "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser" (John 15:1).
- 8. Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." John 8:58

Who we are in Christ Some of my favorites:

John 1:12- Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

- 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.
- 2 Corinthians 5:18-20 So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

John 15:15 I no longer call you slaves, because a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me.

- 1 Peter 2:9 But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests,[a] a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.
- 1 Corinthians 3:16 Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Romans 8:16-17 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

1 Corinthians 12:27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

Galatians 4:7 So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

Romans 6:18 Now you are free from your slavery to sin, and you have become slaves to righteous living.

Matthew 5:14 "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden.

Ephesians 2:10 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.

30 Day Challenge

- Get alone with God and the 5 statements.
- Reflect on each of the statements.
- Prayerfully consider which statement(s) is stumbling you and keeping you from living fully in the freedom of your new identity in Christ.
- Focus on the verses that correlate with the statement and choose one to journal and discuss with the Lord using this format:
- 1. Write out the verse:
- 2. In your own words paraphrase the verse and also insert your name as the Lord would gently and kindly speak to you.
- 3. Are there any lies from the world, the devil, or your flesh that you have believed that go against this verse? Write out the lie then write out the truth.
- 4. Ask the Lord (remembering the Holy Spirit is your counselor) how He would like you to apply the truth of this verse to your life. Write down the impression, thoughts or ideas as you consider how you are to apply this verse.
- 5. Using this verse write out a prayer to God:
- 6. What will you do intentionally different now to walk out that truth?