

DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?

Creating a Positive ID – Part 1

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Hebrews 11:23 (NIV) *“By faith Moses' parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.”*

KNOWING YOUR TRUE IDENTITY...

1. DEMONSTRATES your spiritual maturity.

Hebrews 11:24 (NIV) *“By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.”*

Spiritual maturity leads to personal identity.

John 8:14b (NIV) *“Jesus answered... ‘I know where I came from and where I am going.’”*

Matthew 20:28 (NLT) *“For even I, the Son of Man, came here not to be served but to serve others, and to give My life as a ransom for many.”*

2. DEFINES your responsibilities.

Hebrews 11:25 (NIV) *“He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.”*

You Are Spiritually Mature When You...

- Stop BLAMING others for your life's direction.
- Stop LIVING OFF another's spiritual commitment.

Romans 14:12 (GW) *“All of us will have to give an account of ourselves to God.”*

3. DECIDES your values.

Hebrews 11:26 (NIV) *“He (Moses) regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.”*

The World's Values...

POPULARITY

PLEASURE

POSSESSIONS

Your VISION sets your values.

Philippians 3:8 (CEV) *“Nothing is as wonderful as knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have given up everything else and count it all as garbage. All I want is Christ”*

4. DETERMINES your destiny.

Learning your true identity gives you the courage...

- To LEAVE your past behind.

Hebrews 11:27 (NLT) *“It was by faith that Moses left the land of Egypt, not fearing the king's anger. He kept right on going because he kept his eyes on the One who is invisible.”*

- To LIVE as a new person.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (CEV) *“Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything is new.”*

You can only do the impossible, when you see the invisible.

Hebrews 12:2a (GNB) *“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end.”*

Colossians 3:1-2 (NLT) *“Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. ²Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth.”*