

INSIDE STRONG

Part 2: Identity in Christ

WHO ARE YOU?

- What do you identify with?
 1. Accomplishments / failures
 2. Past history / personal demographics
 3. Things that change
- A stronger identity ***(Psalm 112:6-8 NIV)***
 1. The things listed above can't establish your heart
 2. Your heart can be secure in what God says about you

LOW LEVEL LIVING DESPITE A HIGH LEVEL CONNECTION ***(2 Samuel 9:3-10 NIV)***

- A prince who's life took a tragic turn
 1. The grandson of a king - forced to run for his life
- He unknowingly had a contract with a king
 1. Had no knowledge of the power of his connection to David
 2. Thought David was his enemy - the source of his low level living
 3. Mephibosheth identified far beneath his actual status
- David elevated him and restored his inheritance
 1. Treated as one of the king's sons
 2. Gave him a helper - to do what he could not do on his own
 3. Mephibosheth went from weakness to a place of strength

ELEVATING YOUR IDENTITY AND ESTABLISHING YOUR HEART

- Identify with God who is for you ***(Psalm 118:6-7 NKJV)***
 1. He is not the reason for the negatives in your life
 2. Being afraid of Him will not establish your heart with strength
- Identify with Christ and what He has done for you ***(1 Peter 2:9-10 NIV)***
 1. Through faith in Christ you have become royalty
 2. You look good in Christ
- Identify with the reality that you have help ***(John 14:26 NKJV)***
 1. Mephibosheth had a lot of help and so do you
 2. God's help is greater than your weakness