**STRONG FOUNDATION – TITUS #3**

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**IDENTITY – WHO AM I?**

Call Study – Jason Park

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!* **2 Cor. 5:17**

Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ to further the faith of God’s elect and their knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness— **2**in the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time, **3**and which now at his appointed season he has brought to light through the preaching entrusted to me by the command of God our Savior, **Titus 3:3-7**

**IDENTITY = WHO I AM**

**“*MY NAME PAUL. I AM A SERVANT.*”** (Titus 1:1, Rom. 1:1, 2 Cor. 4:5)

**MY NAME IS** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **I AM A** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**I AM A SERVANT (SLAVE)**

17But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. 18You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. **Rom. 6:17-18**

**SERVANTS SURRENDER**

7But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ. **Phil. 3:7-8**

What are the characteristics of a servant/slave, and how would you compare them to your relationship with Jesus?

**I AM A SON**

You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. **Mark 1:11**

He predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will. **Eph. 1:5**

**A SON OF GOD IS LOVED BY THE HEAVENLY FATHER**

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.**1 Jn. 3:1**

***“I am His. He loves me. He is proud of me.”***

Did you hear these words from your father, and does that impact your relationship with your heavenly father?

**I AM A FRIEND**

13Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. 14You are my friends if you do what I command. 15I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. **Jn. 15:13-15**

**FRIENDS ARE AUTHENTIC**

Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. **James 5:16**

What does it mean to know Jesus wants to be a friend? How does that impact other friendships?

**I AM A MAN WHO LOVES JESUS**

15When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these? Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you. Jesus said, “Feed my lambs. 16Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me? He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you. Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep. 17The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”Jesus said, “Feed my sheep.  **Jn 21:15-17**

**LOVING JESUS = LOVING HIS CHURCH**

41“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me. 44“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you? 45“He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ **Matt. 25:41-45**

How do you cultivate your love for Jesus?

**WORDS DEFINE ME, GOD’S WORDS**

16All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17so that the servant of Godmay be thoroughly equipped for every good work. **2 Tim. 3:16-17**

What are some of God’s words that define you?

**CHRONOLOGICAL READING PLAN FOR October**

274. Luke 1; John 1 275. Matthew 1; Luke 2 276. Matthew 2 277. Matthew 3; Mark 1; Luke 3

278. Matthew 4; Luke 4-5 279. John 2-4 280. Matthew 8; Mark 2 281. John 5 282. Matthew 12; Mark 3; Luke 6

283. Matthew 5-7 284. Matthew 9; Luke 7 285. Matthew 11 286. Luke 11 287. Matthew 13; Luke 8

288. Mark 4-5 289. Matthew 10 290. Matthew 14; Mark 6; Luke 9 291. John 6 292. Matthew 15; Mark 7

293. Matthew 16; Mark 8 294. Matthew 17; Mark 9 295. Matthew 18 296. John 7-8

297. John 9-10 298. Luke 10 299. Luke 12-13 300. Luke 14-15 301. Luke 16-17

302. John 11 303. Luke 18 304. Matthew 19; Mark 10 305. Matthew 20-21 306. Luke 19