

## Who Do You Say You Are? Are You In Agreement With God?

Jesus knew His Spiritual identity. Now do we know ours? Let's look at what He said in these Scriptures.

Matthew 16:13-18 KJV When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? [14] And they said, Some say that Thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. [15] He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? [16] And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. [17] And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in Heaven. [18] And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

After a person gives their life to Jesus Christ, they must then find out who they really are. The Bible and the leading of the Holy Spirit is how they do this. There are many identification markers in the physical that will try to tell us who we are. These markers are to let us know what our body is, but they cannot tell us who we are in the spirit. My body can be a man 6ft tall with a lot of hair, but is this what I really am? Am I not actually a spirit created by God to live in a human body? I've learned over the years that people will not live a life that they don't think they are. The devil is a master at getting people, family, and friends to try to speak to us our identity; and they will generally speak to us about our bodies; because that's who they believe we are. God says we are spirit, and we have a soul (which is our mind, will and emotions), and we live in a body.

Remember we will hardly ever do something we don't identify as us. Of course there are exceptions to this rule. You have probably heard this, "they did that out of character". What does that mean? The person they are talking about hardly ever does what they did, because they don't believe they are that. Let's look at some Scriptures in the Bible where Jesus found out who He was and where He asked others if they knew who He was.

Luke 2:41-50 TLB When Jesus was twelve years old, He accompanied His parents to Jerusalem for the annual Passover Festival, which they attended each year. [43] After the celebration was over they started home to Nazareth, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't miss Him the first day, [44] for they assumed He was with friends among the other travelers. But when He didn't show up that evening, they started to look for Him among their relatives and friends; [45] and when they couldn't find Him, they went back to Jerusalem to search for Him there. [46-47] Three days later they finally discovered Him. He was in the Temple, sitting among the teachers of Law, discussing deep questions with them and amazing everyone with His understanding and answers. [48] His parents didn't know what to think. "Son!" His mother said to Him. "Why have You done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for You everywhere." [49] "But why did you need to search?" He asked. "Didn't you realize that I would be here at the Temple, in My Father's House?" [50] But they didn't understand what He meant.

In this verse Jesus already knew He was God's Son; not just a son of Mary and Joseph. Now I want you to see how many times Jesus identifies Himself as Mary or Joseph's son.

John 19:25-27 KJV Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. [26] When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He saith unto His mother, Woman, behold thy son! [27] Then saith He to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

Matthew 12:46-50 KJV While He yet talked to the people, behold, His mother and His brethren stood without, desiring to speak with Him. [47] Then one said unto Him, Behold, Thy mother and Thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with Thee. [48] But He answered and said unto him that told Him, Who is My mother? and who are My brethren? [49] And He stretched forth His hand toward His disciples, and said, Behold My mother and My brethren! [50] For whosoever shall do the will of My Father which is in Heaven, the same is My brother, and sister, and mother.

Jesus loved His earthly mother, and He was not dishonoring her; but His main identification was with His Heavenly Father. God wants us to start identifying ourselves as who we are as born-again Christians; not just by our earthly identification. If we want to live like our Father God, we must see ourselves like He sees us. The Bible tells us who we are; and once we know it, we will live it out.

Love you,  
Pastor Paul

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#### This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Leviticus chapter 20
Tuesday	Leviticus chapter 21
Wednesday	Leviticus chapter 22
Thursday	Leviticus chapter 23
Friday	Leviticus chapter 24
Saturday	Leviticus chapter 25
Sunday	Leviticus chapter 26

#### Upcoming Events

1. Women's Dance Aerobics: 10-11am Mon-Fri in the Gym
2. Mobile Prayer: Wednesday 2-3:30pm in our South parking lot; Friday 2-3:30pm Sam's Warehouse
3. Noonday Bible Study: In Sanctuary; live on KJRF 91.1fm; live stream on TCC app.12:15 Mon-Fri
4. Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm
5. Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

6. Communion: Wednesday after Service
7. Women's Fellowship: Saturday 9am in the Fellowship Hall
8. W.O.W. Conference: October 29-30. Ushers have registration forms. \$40 due by Oct 22

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Sundays \* Prayer: 9am Lee Blvd entrance \* Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. \* Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley  
 Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul  
 Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins  
 Healing Class: -----Lester/Monica Witherspoon  
 Marriage Class:-----Danny/Demetrice Williams  
 Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham  
 Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade  
 Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore  
 Young Singles/College & Career — Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily \* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am  
 \* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app  
 \* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym

Weekly \* Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service  
 \* Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm  
 \* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)  
 \* Mobile Prayer: Wed 2–3:30pm Lee Blvd parking lot; Fri 2–3:30pm Sam's Warehouse  
 \* Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly \* Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral  
 \* Crosses at the Corner: 11am-1am 1st Saturday corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.  
 \* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month in Fellowship Hall  
 \* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday of each month 5pm in Sanctuary  
 \* Horse Ministry: 10am-1pm 3rd Saturday of each month