

Sermon Handout: Identity Redeemed, week 3

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Central Church of Christ

Outside In- Identity Redeemed (Part 2)

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Understand that our identity is rooted in the image of God. (Genesis 1:27)

Recognize that seeking identity apart from God leads to brokenness and dissatisfaction. (Ecclesiastes 2:11)

Realize that God's image in us cannot be taken away or diminished by sin. (Romans 8:38-39)

Why Do We Need God to Search Our Hearts? Can we trust Him?

1. God's omniscience - He knows all things. (Psalm 139:1-6)
2. God's omnipresence - He is in all places. (Psalm 139:7-12)
3. God's Creatorship - He made us and is sovereign over us. (Psalm 139:13-16)
4. God's holiness - He is set apart from all others. (Psalm 139:17-18)

Adverse Voices and Embracing God's Search

Adverse voices can make us question our identity and cause us to accept an identity outside of God's image.

Practical Steps to Experience Transformation and Redemption

1. Ask God to reveal any areas in your life that need transformation. (Psalm 139:23-24)
2. Seek your true identity in the image of God. (Genesis 1:27)
3. Embrace God's unconditional love. (Romans 8:38-39)
4. Receive redemption through Jesus. (Ephesians 1:7)

Scripture references:

Genesis 1:27, Psalm 139:1-24

Bottom Line: God redeems our identity when we open our hearts to His search.