

Session One

Take A Step

Why?

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There are many Biblical reasons why we share the Gospel with others. In this first session, we are focusing on two of them.

1. It is a command of Jesus (Matthew 28:18-20)

2. We are a new creation & have been made ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-20)

This new identity of ours is key in our understanding that Jesus has given us the mission, entrusted us the authority and empowered us in reconciling the world back to Him.

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For our first step we are going to explore our identity together in Jesus. There are some wonderful truths throughout the Word of God that underline who we are as God's chosen children, yet although we might know them in our heads, we sometimes struggle to carry the truth of them in our hearts!

On the next page you'll find a number of scriptures that speak truth into our souls over who we are in Christ.

Over the coming days try to spend at least 10-15 minutes each day reading these truths. Spend some time:

- Praying into them
- Thanking God for this wonderful new reality
- Declaring these truths over yourself
- Meditating on what these verses mean for your life today

If you are journeying through Take a Step with a friend (or a group) then talk to them about your experience considering these verses:

- Which verses resonate with you most, and why?
- Are there any of these verses you are struggling to believe, and why?

Following these conversations, spend some time ministering to one another with encouragement and prayer and invite the Holy Spirit to come and lead the way.

My Identity in Christ

I Am Accepted

John 1:12 I am God's child.

John 15:15 As a disciple, I am a friend of Jesus Christ.

Rom 5:1 I have been justified.

1 Cor 6:17 I am united with the Lord, and one with Him in spirit.

1 Cor 6:19-20 I have been bought with a price and I belong to God.

1 Cor 12:27 I am a member of Christ's body.

Eph 1:3-8 I have been chosen by God and adopted as His child.

Col 1:13-14 I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins.

Col 2:9-10 I am complete in Christ.

Heb 4:14-16 I have direct access to the throne of grace through Jesus Christ.

I Am Secure

Rom 8:1-2 I am free from condemnation.

Rom 8:28 I am assured that God works for my good in all circumstances.

Rom 8:31-39 I am free from any condemnation and cannot be separated from the love of God.

2 Cor 1:21-22 I have been established, anointed and sealed by God.

Col 3:1-4 I am hidden with Christ in God.

Phil 1:6 I am confident that God will complete the good work He started in me.

2 Tim 1:7 I have not been given a spirit of fear but of power, love and a sound mind.

1 John 5:18 I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me.

I Am Significant

John 15:5 I am a branch of Jesus Christ, the true vine.

John 15:4-6 I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

1 Cor 3:16 I am God's temple.

2 Cor 5:17-21 I am a minister of reconciliation for God.

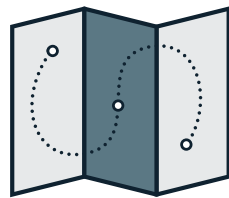
Eph 2:6 I am seated with Jesus Christ in the heavenly realm.

Eph 3:12 I may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Phil 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

1 John 5:18 I am born of God and He keeps me safe.

**Justified • Forgiven • God's Child • A New Creation • Accepted • United with God
God's Temple • Chosen • Alive • Dead to Sin • God's Workmanship • Adopted
The Apple of His Eye • Not Ashamed • Citizen of Heaven • His Own Possession**



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