

WHO AM I?

FINDING MY IDENTITY / ROMANS 12-16

I AM A CHILD OF LIGHT / TEXT: ROMANS 13

Opening Question:

Who am I when no one else is _____?

1. Character is determined when no one else is _____.

Vs. 1-7

There are natural _____ on earth for not obeying those who are over us.

Don't create unnecessary _____.

Government restrains _____ and creates _____.

Two Motivations to do RIGHT by the Government

1.

2.

The Conscience Filter: _____

2. _____ flows from a new heart.

Vs. 8-11

Love accomplishes what _____ could never accomplish.

3. You are a child of _____.

Vs. 12-13

Let your life reflect what has already happened _____ of you.

4. Walk like who you _____.

Vs. 14

You're not fighting a _____ with self.

Let your _____ match what's already true on the _____.



LIFEGROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

FIRST THINGS FIRST

1. What's the strangest rule you had growing up that made absolutely no sense to you?
2. When you were a kid, did you ever get caught doing something you thought nobody would ever find out about? (Keep it family-friendly!)

DIGGING DEEP

1. **Read Romans 13:1-4.** Why do you think Paul addresses authority immediately after Romans 12? What stood out to you most from this section?
2. Jeremy talked about our vertical relationship with God and our horizontal relationships with people. How does understanding that distinction help us make sense of conflict, suffering, or consequences in life?
3. **Read Romans 13:5.** Paul gives two reasons for submitting to authority: consequences and conscience. Which motivation do you think is stronger and why?
4. Jeremy challenged us not to ask, "Does this make me feel guilty?" but rather, "Is this true?" Why is that an important difference?
5. **Read Romans 13:6-10.** How do integrity, honor, respect, and love all connect together in Paul's argument?
6. Jeremy said, "Character is revealed when you could get away with it and choose not to." Do you agree? Why or why not?
7. **Read Romans 13:11-14.** What do you think Paul means when he tells believers to "wake up" and "put on the Lord Jesus Christ"?
8. The sermon emphasized that the flesh is not your identity. How does that truth change the way we view temptation, failure, and spiritual growth?

TAKE IT HOME

1. Which statement from Sunday's message challenged you the most? Write it below and ask yourself what made this statement challenge you.
2. Where is God currently calling you to live with greater integrity when nobody else is watching?
3. What is one practical way you can let your outside life better reflect what is already true about you on the inside this week?