

Chapter 2: Questions for Group Discussion

Opening Question: Have you ever taken a personality test—whether in a magazine survey, a Facebook article, or for your workplace environment? Why do you think we enjoy taking these tests?

- 1) What are areas we tend to consider as core to our identity? How do we see this in the way we introduce ourselves or introduce others?
- 2) Have you ever had a situation when the question of “Who am I?” felt unclear or in question because of a change in your circumstances or understanding? How did that experience shape or change you?
- 3) **READ Genesis 1:26-27.** What is significant about being made in the image of God? How does it differentiate humans from the rest of God’s creation? How does it affect how you view others?
- 4) **READ Romans 5:5-21.**
 - a. While we are made in the image of God, because of Adam’s sin, we bear the brokenness of his transgressions. Apart from Christ, how does this passage describe us?
 - b. What does this passage tell us that Christ has done for us?
 - c. Compare the free gift of God to the trespass of Adam. What similarities do you notice? What differences?
- 5) **Read Ephesians 4:20-5:2**
 - a. What does it look like to live as an imitator of God?
 - b. How is it possible for us to live out this calling?
- 6) How does centering our identity in Christ provide stability to our sense of self, even as our seasons and circumstances change? What truths about our identity in Christ are unchanging?
- 7) How have you seen change—sometimes difficult and unwanted—lead to God’s transformation in your life? How has that at times been a difficult but needed transformation?
- 8) As you think back over the chapter, what particular truth resonated with you? How will you live differently in light of that new understanding?