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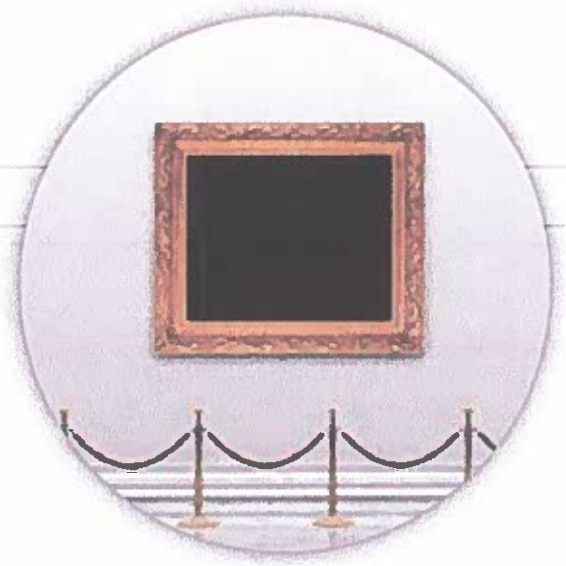
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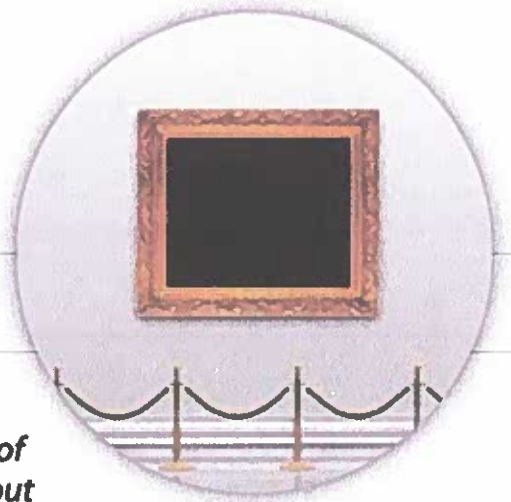
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God chose you, so that you would choose him.

Some of us relate to God in a timid way. We cower and want to run away, yet are afraid of being abandoned. We don't have a clue about what it means to be part of God's family. In Ephesians you will find your identity. You will discover who you are, who you are meant to be, what you are meant to do, and what it means to be a member of the body of Christ.

Scripture: Ephesians 1

Based On: "You Are God's Masterpiece," by Steve May, PreachingToday.com



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Part 1 Identify the Issue

[Q] Which of the following best describes how you see God?

- Kind and caring
- Strict and exacting
- Awesome and holy
- Generous and giving
- Mystical and mysterious
- Close and intimate
- Far away and unreachable

Why did you pick the ones you did? What does that tell you about how you see God?

Part 2 Discover the Eternal Principles

Teaching Point One: You belong to God, and that will never change.

Teaching Point Two: Your security comes from understanding who Christ is.

Teaching Point Three: Your confidence comes from understanding who you are in Christ.

Part 3 Apply Your Findings

God's power is available to you—his resurrection power. It is available for your benefit—to make you more like Jesus. That's because you are God's treasured possession. His plan is that you will become pure and holy and blameless—just like Jesus. That's what he sees in you.

The first step in understanding who you are in Christ is understanding who Christ is. The result of understanding who Christ is, and understanding who you are in Christ, is that you will experience his resurrection power. Power that will change you from the inside out. Power over sin. Power over despair. Power over fear. His power is available to you.

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Action Point: Share with the group one area that you feel you need power in. Pray for each other concerning these things, using the words of Ephesians 1.

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