



What Was I Made For?

A Christian Understanding of Identity ⊕

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

IDENTITY BEGINS WITH GOD

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As believers, our personal identity is formed in two critical ways: seeing our lives as part of a larger story and experiencing our faith as a union with the living Christ. This larger story begins where the Bible begins, in Genesis 1.

Read Genesis 1:26-31.

- How does it make you feel that you are made in the image of God?
- How did Jesus live out and model this mandate in his earthly life (Matthew 20:24-26; Philippians 2:3-8)?
- What does this second description of the creation of humanity suggest about personal identity (Genesis 2:7)?
- What was the primary purpose for the mention of the sun, moon, and stars as part of God's creation (Genesis 1.16)? (see Deuteronomy 4:19-20; 2 Kings 17:16; Ezekiel 8:16)
- How important is God's grace to your ability to live out your given identity (Genesis 1:28a)? (see also Matthew 5:3-12)
- What are some ways you can live more into your given identity today?

Pray Together

God and Father, help me see myself more like you see me this week.