

EPISODE: 365 TITLE: Conversations: Who We Are

Our baptism is not some salvational magic spell or just a culturally ancient ritual; we are baptized, soaked, established into a new identity. Into the NAME of the Father, and the NAME of the Son, and the NAME of the Holy Spirit...all a huge identity statement. This is *who we are*...

Here are three key things to believe and consider about having these necessary conversations:

- You bear the image of God himself. So does everyone you know. Through self-love, pride and rebellion we've all tarnished and distorted that image. We have all tried to create a life and identity (fame and glory) for ourselves apart from God. But until Christians believe their true, restored gospel identity, their Christianity will be filled with a whole bunch of "shoulds" and "supposed tos" and religion, instead of a life of freedom and privilege that Jesus came to give us. That's why this is so important.
- 2. What changes in your life would come from believing you are part of a family of missionary servants, sent as disciples of Jesus, (together) to make more disciples? Jesus never intended for us to go and live out a personal faith on a personal mission all alone. Our identity in Christ is an identity best understood and expressed in community: giving, receiving, learning, sharing each other's burdens and victories.
- 3. Who do you need to have this conversation with today? Don't put it off! Maybe you want to send a few folks the link to this episode, and then after they've listened, get together and discuss all of this. And if you're married, be sure to listen to this and have a conversation around this topic with your spouse and kids. You'll see how much deeper this conversation goes and uncover huge implications for the church from believing and living out of our true gospel identity.

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Thanks for listening... we'll see you in the next episode!

~Caesar