

ART'S

IN YOUR HEAD?



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Who Do You Think You Are?

USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

[Romans 7:14-23]

So the trouble is not with the law, for it is spiritual and good. The trouble is with me, for I am all too human, a slave to sin. I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.

And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't. I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.

I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God’s law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me.

[Galatians 2:20]

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

[Ephesians 5:21-26]

And further, submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. For wives, this means submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of his body, the church. As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything. For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God’s word.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who do you think you are? What is the title and subtitle of the poster that bares your face?
2. We often find our identity in what we do and not who we are. How can we live in such a way that we draw the conclusion of our identity through what God says about us?
3. Talk about a time when you felt yourself pulling away from God and His church because of a wrong definition of who you are.
4. When you fall short in your Christian walk is your response, one that is consistent with who God says you are or does it feel more like the lie that the enemy wants you to believe? Discuss a scenario that

could happen to you where you fall short of what you know would be Gods plan for you, and then talk about the correct response to it and then a response that may happen if we have a wrong self image.

5. What are somethings we can do to ensure that we accurately identify with Gods definition of us?
6. Spend sometime looking up and declaring some scripture that declares who we are as children of God. (Google it, if you must)