

# OUTLINE & QUESTIONS

## DISCOVERING IDENTITY

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COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

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ICEBREAKER: What nicknames have you been given over the course of your life?

1. What is the difference between the traditional and modern approaches to identity? What are the pros and cons of each? (If you remember the charts, draw them.)
2. Which of the three paths to identity do you tend to follow--inner discovery (my feelings = who I am), external achievement (my accomplishments = who I am), or social performance (my image = who I am)?
3. Why does the modern approach to identity leave us stressed out, anxious, and insecure?
4. Read Colossians 3:1-4. After you give your group a moment of quiet to make their observations, go around the group and share some of the things you noticed about the passage.
5. What does it mean for us to be "in Christ"?
6. What advantages does having your identity in Christ have over trying to discover or create your own identity?
7. Why do you need to let Christ bury your old identities?
8. What does it look like when Jesus transforms your old identities under him?
9. How do the practices Clayton suggested (preaching the gospel to yourself, sabbath, and fasting from social media) keep your identity rooted in Christ?

PRAYER PROMPT: Pair off a share one thing you do each day this week to "set your heart" and "set your mind" on things above. Then, pray for each other to be able to do those things.