**Identity**

**Colossians 3:10 Put on your new nature and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like Him.**

**I would like to encourage you to take time to listen to your self talk. What are you telling yourself about who you are? Often these are the things the world around you is telling you, through your upbringing, friends, social media, experiences in life. Start reading the Bible verses mentioned below (and there are many more in the Bible). Replace your thoughts about yourself that are not in line with Gods Word.**

**In the Bible it says in (Ephesians 4:22-24) to throw of the old and let the Spirit renew your thoughts. It is not enough to stop thinking the wrong thing. We have to replace it with the new, Godly thoughts. In Rom 12:2 we are encouraged to be transformed by the renewing of our mind.**

**Sometimes we need others to help us with this journey. Please invite people that you trust to walk with you.**

**Be blessed with your true identity, your value. Not based on your accomplishments, what you have or what other people say about you, but based on who you are. God is your Father and you are His child!**

[**Genesis 1:27**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+1%3A27&version=ESV)ESV

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

[**2 Corinthians 5:17**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Corinthians+5%3A17&version=ESV)ESV

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

[**1 Peter 2:9**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+2%3A9&version=ESV)ESV

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

[**Jeremiah 29:11**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jeremiah+29%3A11&version=ESV)ESV

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

[**Galatians 2:20**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+2%3A20&version=ESV)ESV

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

[**1 Corinthians 12:27**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+12%3A27&version=ESV)ESV

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

[**Ephesians 2:10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A10&version=ESV)ESV

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

[**1 John 3:1-3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+3%3A1-3&version=ESV)ESV

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

[**John 15:15**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A15&version=ESV)ESV

No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

[**Colossians 3:1-4**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A1-4&version=ESV)ESV

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

[**Ephesians 4:22-24**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+4%3A22-24&version=ESV)ESV

To put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

[**John 15:5**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A5&version=ESV)ESV

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

[**Romans 8:14-15**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A14-15&version=ESV)ESV

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”

[**Psalm 139:14**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+139%3A14&version=ESV)ESV

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

[**John 1:12**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+1%3A12&version=ESV)ESV

But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,

[**Isaiah 43:1**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isaiah+43%3A1&version=ESV)ESV

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

[**Psalm 139:1-24**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+139%3A1-24&version=ESV)ESV

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. O Lord, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ...

[**Colossians 3:12**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A12&version=ESV)ESV

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

[**Ephesians 4:24**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+4%3A24&version=ESV)ESV

And to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

[**1 Samuel 16:7**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Samuel+16%3A7&version=ESV)ESV

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.”

[**Ephesians 2:6**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A6&version=ESV)ESV

And raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

[**Ephesians 1:4**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A4&version=ESV)ESV

Even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love

[**Romans 8:1**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A1&version=ESV)ESV

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

[**Ephesians 2:19**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A19&version=ESV)ESV

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

[**Romans 6:6**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+6%3A6&version=ESV)ESV

We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

[**Romans 8:15**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A15&version=ESV)ESV

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”

[**Psalm 100:3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+100%3A3&version=ESV)ESV

Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

[**Colossians 1:27**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+1%3A27&version=ESV)ESV

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

[**Philippians 3:20**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Philippians+3%3A20&version=ESV)ESV

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ,

[**Colossians 3:3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A3&version=ESV)ESV

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

[**John 15:16**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A16&version=ESV)ESV /

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

[**Galatians 3:26**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+3%3A26&version=ESV)ESV

For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

[**Colossians 3:1-3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A1-3&version=ESV)ESV

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

[**Colossians 2:9-10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+2%3A9-10&version=ESV)ESV

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

[**1 Corinthians 6:17**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+6%3A17&version=ESV)ESV

But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him.

[**Isaiah 49:16**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isaiah+49%3A16&version=ESV)ESV

Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands;

[**Ephesians 5:8**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+5%3A8&version=ESV)ESV

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

[**Ephesians 2:4-5**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A4-5&version=ESV)ESV

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—

[**Ephesians 1:7**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A7&version=ESV)ESV

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,

[**Colossians 2:10**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+2%3A10&version=ESV)ESV

And you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

[**John 3:16**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+3%3A16&version=ESV)ESV

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

[**Isaiah 64:8**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Isaiah+64%3A8&version=ESV)ESV

But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

[**2 Corinthians 1:21-22**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Corinthians+1%3A21-22&version=ESV)ESV

And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

[**Ephesians 1:13**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A13&version=ESV)ESV

In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

[**Ephesians 1:5**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A5&version=ESV)ESV

He predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,

[**Ephesians 1:3**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A3&version=ESV)ESV

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

[**Romans 5:1**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+5%3A1&version=ESV)ESV

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

[**1 Corinthians 1:30**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+1%3A30&version=ESV)ESV

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption,

[**1 John 3:1-2**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+3%3A1-2&version=ESV)ESV

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

[**Ephesians 2:13**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2%3A13&version=ESV)ESV

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

[**Ephesians 1:11**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+1%3A11&version=ESV)ESV

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,

[**Matthew 6:26**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+6%3A26&version=ESV)ESV

Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

[**Psalm 95:6-7**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+95%3A6-7&version=ESV)ESV

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Today, if you hear his voice,

[**Romans 8:16-17**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A16-17&version=ESV)ESV

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

[**2 Corinthians 5:20**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Corinthians+5%3A20&version=ESV)ESV

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.