

Who am I?

Who are you!? One of the most powerful things we can ever find out in life is who we are. As we go through our lives it's possible for us to have multiple identities. Ex: a college student, son, daughter, friend, athlete, gamer, co-worker, banker, CEO, waiter, etc. Even more so, we can even say our identity is a variety of characteristics or adjectives. Ex: winner, loser, jerk, nice, cute, ugly, brave, bold, cowardly, mistaken, screw up, etc. Some of the things we are make us feel good! Some of others maybe not so good.

Read Luke 19:1-10

What do we know about Zacchaeus? (v. 2-4)

Zacchaeus due to his profession wasn't the most popular guy and was known for being a traitor, liar, and a thief. His thoughts about himself probably didn't rank high on the self-confidence scale.

How did Jesus respond when He saw Zacchaeus? (v. 5-6)

Jesus shows us that He valued Zacchaeus regardless of what society or even Zacchaeus himself labeled him as.

As you are comfortable, take some time to share the labels you've been given that you are not a fan of. And when you are finished take some time to read the scriptures below to who God says you are to Him.

God thinks about you....a lot!

*Psalm 139:17 How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. They cannot be numbered! 18 I can't even count them; they outnumber the grains of sand! And when I wake up, **you are still with me!***

You are valuable to God.

*Matthew 10:30 And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. 31 So don't be afraid; **you are more valuable** to God than a whole flock of sparrows.*

You are a MASTERPIECE just the way you were made.

*Ephesians 2:10 For **we are God's masterpiece**. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.*

You are a child of God.

*Romans 8:14 **For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God**. 15 So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." 16 For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.*

He has made you to be bold, powerful, loving, and self-disciplined

*2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, **but of power, love, and self-discipline**.*

The coolest thing of all, He did and does all this because he likes you!

*Psalm 18:19 He led me to a place of safety; **he rescued me because he delights in me**.*