

You Belong to Jesus! Act Like it.

The early Christians in the Corinthian church had many questions about how their faith impacted various aspects of their lives. You might be surprised that many of the topics the Apostle Paul advised them on in his letter are things we're still wrestling with today: sexuality and sexual immorality, accountability in the life of the church, and lawsuits or disagreements among believers. Discover why in each of these situations Paul admonished believers to remember their identity as those baptized *in* Christ and to act accordingly.

AWARENESS Before listening reflect on what you already know or understand about topics we'll cover in the episode.

- How do you define your identity in Christ?
- In what way do you think your beliefs and behaviors do or do not align with your identity?



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REFLECTION After listening, consider the following questions:

- In your church experience, how have sex and sexual sins been talked about? Has it been similar or different from how the apostle Paul addressed them in 1 Corinthians 5-6?
- In segment 1, hosts Scott Hoezee and Darrell Delaney noted that Paul made a distinction between how Christians should relate to believers and non-believers. Why did he emphasize this difference? How does it impact us today?
- In segment 2, Darrell said, “We don’t *do* to make ourselves who we *are*. Out of who we *are*, we do.” Why is it important to know who you are before you focus on what you do?
- Darrell and Scott observed that when Paul advised the Corinthians about lawsuits between believers and about sexual immorality, both times he pointed to a deeper, bigger stakes, internal spiritual battle. Why do you think we have a tendency to forget about the spiritual implications of our conflicts and behaviors?

RELATED PASSAGES for further study

[Romans 6](#), [2 Corinthians 5:17](#), [Galatians 2:20](#)

CONCLUSION

You have been united to Jesus Christ. Therefore, you are a beloved child of God and a member of Christ's body. Whatever you think, say, or do represents who you are and who you belong to. Put away the behavior that looks like the world and put on the behavior that looks like Jesus. By doing so, you'll find that you'll more fully experience God's secure love, grace, and peace. As you close your time of reflection, write down the identifying markers of Christ-like behavior and then pray for the Holy Spirit to cultivate those attitudes and behaviors more fully in your own life.

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