

Part 4: My Assignment

Group Discussion Guide

Warm up questions:

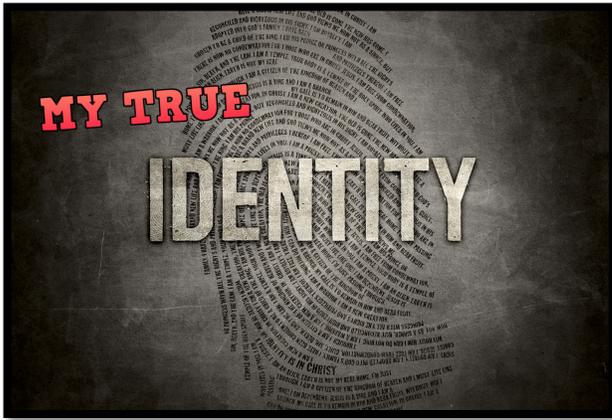
1. What is one thing you would like to do someday? **Custom answers; let them tell of whatever comes to mind; watch your time, but have some fun with this.**
2. On a scale of 1-10 (10 high) what are the chances you will actually do that thing? **Custom answers – again, have fun here. Don't be afraid to challenge people's perspective on their chances. Make them defend their answers.**
3. What were the main ideas from each of the four parts of this series?
Part 1 – God is before all; The spiritual is the foundation of the physical; God created all we see; we are made in His image; Satan rebelled
Part 2 – Satan attacked us and lied to us; we believed Satan instead of God; we became enemies of God; God loved us and sent Jesus; Jesus took the spiritual death we deserved; we can be born again by faith; God adopted us into His family
Part 3 – Satan still lies to us, even after we're saved and adopted into God's family; Three of his lies are: you are what you do, you are what you have and you are what people say; each of us is unique, created and gifted differently; God has a destiny for each of us; as God changed the name of some people in the Bible, He may have a "name change" for us; let go of lies, receive the truth from your true Father
Part 4 – Everything we've learned in the first three parts applies to today; we don't postpone till someday; Audience of One, Saved to fulfill a destiny; God uses bad to bring good.

Digging in:

4. In session 3, we talked about a new "name" or a destiny that God has for each of us. Can you share what yours is, if you've received one? **Custom answers. No pressure on this one. If you're able to share some of your own thoughts, it**

will potentially get the others to open up. There's probably something there, but they're often hesitant because it's very personal. Be as encouraging and reaffirming as possible. They may not have a smooth presentation of these thoughts and feelings that are still somewhat primitive.

5. Do you feel like it's easy to live out who God made you to be in your current life circumstances? **Custom answers.**
6. We looked at Colossians 3:23 and spoke about an "Audience of One." How do those tie together? **We need to constantly remember that our greatest goal and best desire in everything should be to please our spiritual Father, no earthly person.**
 - a. If there was one person you were most tempted to try to please besides God, who would it be? **Could be spouse, boss, friend, parent...**
 - b. Would we think twice about our thoughts, words and actions if we knew the name of Jesus was attached to all of them? **No doubt.**
7. We covered Ephesians 2:8-10 again, and mentioned that we've been "saved by grace to fulfill a destiny."
 - a. How is this different from a "trophy" mindset? **Trophy mindset is that we became a Christian "way back when" and haven't really done anything with it since then. Our faith is collecting dust.**
 - b. How is this different from a "hold on till Jesus comes" mindset? **The "just hold on" mindset says, "it is what it is," and there's not much we can do about it... we're just surviving. Saved to fulfill a destiny says this moment isn't an accident, and there's something about who God made me to be that can bring good in this circumstance.**
8. We read part of the story of Joseph in Genesis 39.
 - a. What were some of the hardships Joseph encountered? (Also ch. 37) **verbal abuse, ridicule, thrown into pit, ignored, hated, lied about, sold as slave, sold again, tempted, betrayed, imprisoned, forgotten**
 - b. How did Joseph respond to the hardships he faced? **He remained true to who God made him to be; he lived out his identity in every situation**
 - c. What was Joseph's ultimate destiny? (Gen. 41:39) **to rule Egypt and save his family and many others from starvation**
9. Were the difficulties Joseph faced from God or Satan? **They were from Satan, but God used them for good.**
10. What about you, are the difficulties you face from God or from Satan? **Satan attacks us, but God is working these trials for good. Romans 8:28.**



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11. Have you begun to see some of the positive destiny God intends for you?
[Custom answers.](#)

Wrapping up:

12. What have you learned about who God made you to be through this series and these studies? [Custom answers.](#)
13. How can you live out who God has made you to be on a daily basis? [Custom answers.](#)
14. Where will you get the strength to do this? How will you tap into that strength? [The Holy Spirit gives us strength and He is the One who produces fruit in us. We have to stay in contact with our Father, listening to what He says about us. This will help us face difficulties and temptations like Jesus did. This will help us remain true to who God made us to be.](#)