

Are you Being Robbed?

SPIRITUAL IDENTITY THEFT

Identity Theft

- ⦿ Bank account or credit card numbers can be easily stolen
- ⦿ Costs South Africa over R1-billion each year
- ⦿ 23% of all US households have experienced ID theft (2013)
- ⦿ “...let us help you get your life back.”

WHO ARE YOU?

WHAT DEFINES YOU?

WHAT IS YOUR IDENTITY?

1. Your spiritual identity is
invaluable.

Reasons to Safeguard your Spiritual Identity

- ◎ Identity speaks to you as God's masterpiece
 - *"You are God's masterpiece."* Ephesians 2:10
- ◎ Your identity determines your destiny.
- ◎ Choices are based on your identity.

2. Spiritual identity theft is pervasive

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- ◎ Satan is a thief!

- *“The thief comes to steal, kill and destroy.” John 10:10*

- ◎ Other people can rob your identity.

3. Biblical Examples of Identity Theft

Esau and Jacob

◎ Genesis 25:27-32

- “Esau despised his birthright.”
- Weak moments can change our destiny.
- He traded his destiny for momentary pleasure

Moses

⦿ Exodus 3 & 4

- Moses was called to deliver
- His insecurity and identity manifested
- “I AM” sent him to the Israelites

David

◎ II Samuel 11:1

- “In the spring, *at the time when kings go off to war...but David remained in Jerusalem.*”
- When David forgot his identity he compromised his destiny.

Jesus Christ

◎ John 13:3

- *“Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God”*
- His identity was based on knowing where he came from, where he was going and recognizing his mission on earth.

IN CHRIST!

◎ 2 Corinthians 5:17

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is **in Christ**, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

How does God see you?

- ⦿ As a new creation; II Corinthians 5:17
- ⦿ Through the blood of Jesus; Colossians 1:14
- ⦿ As “in Christ”

What does “in Christ” mean?

- 130 times in New Testament
- Union with Christ
- Bound to Christ
- United to Christ
- A new position