

Fight For Your True Identity

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Much in the world denies your identity in Christ. Hardship fights it. Your history denies it. Skeptics question it. Yet, lies form the basis of these fights, denials, and questions. And you can learn to identify and reject them all. This is the slow daily process of living the resurrection life of Christ, until he suddenly returns and unveils your hidden beauty.

To say it differently, you are a caterpillar concealed in the chrysalis of a mortal and fallen body. Paul describes creation awaiting the revelation of your beauty: “The whole creation waits breathless with anticipation for the revelation of God’s sons and daughter” (Romans 8:19 CEB). Every angel, tree, flower, blade of grass, star, planet, animal, bird, and the fish of the sea eagerly wait for God to reveal you, with Christ, in your resurrection glory. Until then, your resurrection identity remains certain, though unseen.

But How?

But . . . *How can you focus your heart and mind on Jesus to experience his resurrection life and power now?*

A Good Eye

How? By training your mind to capture every thought and make it obey Christ (2 Corinthians 10:3-5). This will involve viewing life with a good eye, one that allows the light of Christ’s resurrection life to fill your heart and mind. Such focus will enable you to view:

Every loss as gain (Philippians 3:8)

Every disappointment, hope (Romans 5:2-5)

Every temptation, victory (1 Corinthians 10:13)

Every challenge, courage (John 16:33)

Every stronghold, freedom. (2 Corinthians 10:3-5)

Every sin, repentance (Luke 5:32)

Every demon, dispelled (Mark 3:15)

Every wrong, forgiven (Matthew 6:12)

Every need, supplied (Philippians 4:19)

Your True Identity

The list above describes your true identity. The one you must fight for in the power of God's Spirit.