



MESSAGE NOTES

RUN FROM THE APPROVAL OF OTHERS

Galatians 1:10

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1. OUR IDENTITY

“Our identity in Christ. Our identity is actually very important because when you don’t know who you are, you start to live only for the approval of other people.” –

(review from last week)

Galatians 1:10 “Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.”

1 Peter 1:18-19 “For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.”

2. WHY THE PEOPLE FEEL MORE INSECURE THAN EVER

People feel more sadness, anger and stress because we are increasingly dependent on the approval of others.

1 John 2:15-17 “Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. 16 For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. 17 The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.”

3. TRUE CONFIDENCE

True confidence and security comes from being in Christ. We are made whole in Christ. Jesus brings us life. All else is a weak and shaky foundation.

Romans 5:6-8 “You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

CONCLUSION : KNOW GOD AND MAKE HIM KNOWN — Today’s key:

Be real — be at peace with who you are in Christ. How much you have accomplished in your own efforts is not the true gospel. God has made us worthy. We can share that amazing grace.