

Upcoming events to tell your group about (more info on each on pg 2):

- **Re:generation September 29**
- **Men's Camping Trip October 2-3**
- **Legacy Gathering October 2**

Optional Icebreaker: If you had to describe your identity in three words, what would they be?

What part of the sermon or passage stood out to you the most, and why?

Read Ephesians 1:3-14

Justin said, "Your identity, who you think you are, matters more than anything else in your life." **What makes that statement true?**

Think about the voices you listen to on a regular basis (social media influencers, cultural norms, friends and family, etc.) **What do these voices say about your identity? How is what they are saying different than what God is saying about you?**

If you were being honest, what are some identity-level lies people are tempted to believe today? *(Leader, you should go first. This could be a lie you believed in the past or currently believe now. For example, sometimes I believe I'm not a good leader because I don't know enough. Or, I struggle with believing I'm a sacrificial husband because I am so selfish, etc.)*

In our passage we see that a Christian is:

- *Chosen, Adopted, Free, Secure, Loved*

Which one of these is especially good news for you in this season? Explain your answer.

What keeps you from believing that you are one of God's kids?

Justin said, "In Christ, we are free from the necessity of sin. You may sin as a follower of Jesus; you just don't have to anymore. **What theological truth is he getting at?** *(As Christians, we now have the Spirit indwelling us. The Holy Spirit sanctifies us and empowers us to obey God's commands and become more holy like Jesus)*

Men's/Women's Time (if applicable)

Have a time of sharing. (i.e. Share highs/lows in this season, needs in your home/community, etc.)

PRAY for one another.

What is the difference between knowing these truths about your identity and actually fighting to believe them?

Notable Upcoming Events at Fellowship

Re:generation September 29: This fall, we have the incredible opportunity as a church to walk in newness of life together. Even as followers of Christ, made new in him, we all still struggle with sin. But these struggles are not merely meant to be survived — we are called to freedom. Join us for the most impactful spiritual journey of your life. Re:generation starts September 29th.

Men's Camping October 2-3: The camping trip is open to all ages, and you are invited to bring your kids! The cost is \$12 per person (kids free). If your child is 13 or older, please register them individually.

Legacy Gathering October 2: Legacy is a gathering of adults ages 50+ for fun, encouragement, and gospel-centered community with people walking through similar life stages, such as empty-nesters, retirees, or those preparing to be so.

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