



Who Am I?

Pastor Stephanie Ehmke – October 18, 2026

Questions...

1. **Read Ephesians 2:8-10**

Pastor Steph's message began with the statement, *"Identity determines behavior. Who you are determines what you do, not the other way around."* Do you agree with this statement? How have you seen your understanding of yourself influence your choices and actions?

2. We often define ourselves by our careers, relationships, hobbies, experiences, or even what others say about us. If you had to complete the statement, *"Hello, I am _____,"* what would you naturally write? Why?
3. Sometimes the labels we carry come from painful experiences, past mistakes, or the opinions of others. What are some labels people struggle to let go of? How can these labels keep us from living in the freedom Christ offers?
4. The message explained that Ephesians 1–3 focuses on who we are in Christ, while chapters 4–6 focus on how we should live. Why is it important to understand our identity in Christ before focusing on changing our behavior?
5. In Ephesians 2:8–10, Paul reminds us that salvation is a gift of grace, not something we earn through good works. How does understanding this truth change the way we approach our relationship with God?
6. Ephesians 2:10 specifically declares that we are God's masterpiece. What does that description mean to you personally? Why do you think it can be difficult for Christians to truly believe this about themselves?
7. The message used the illustration of famous paintings that had been damaged but lovingly restored. How does this illustration help us understand God's work of restoration in our lives? Where have you experienced God's restoring grace?

8. The message emphasized that being God's masterpiece is not something we are waiting to become someday. In Christ, it is who we are right now. How might truly believing this change the way you view your weaknesses, failures, or struggles?
 9. Pastor Steph described the word *“peculiar”* as being uniquely created for a specific purpose. How does embracing the unique person God created you to be free you from comparing yourself to others or trying to meet their expectations?
 10. Ephesians 2:10 also reminds us that God has already prepared good works for us to do. Considering your unique gifts, experiences, and even past struggles, what might God be calling you to do in this season of your life? What is one practical step you can take this week to live more fully out of your identity in Christ?
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Closing Reflection

“You don't have to run from your past, hide in your present, or fear the future, because you are God's masterpiece.”

Close your time together by praying that God would help each person see themselves as He sees them, embrace their identity in Christ, and live confidently into the unique purpose He has prepared for them.