Identity Theft!

God says you are one thing and the devil comes and tries to talk you out of what God says you are. It began in Genesis

THE FIRST TOOL OF THE DEVIL IS TO INTERJECT INTO YOUR MIND, LIFE, HABITS, A QUESTION OF God'S WORD. TO GET YOU TO DISTRUST God. IF WE DISTRUST God THE ONE WE THEN TRUST IS OURSELVES, THEN ENTERS DISOBEDIENCE AND CHAOS.

Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made.

And he said unto the woman, Yea, **hath God said**, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

THE SECOND TOOL OF THE DEVIL IS TO TRY TO CHANGE WHO YOU ARE INTO SOMETHING ELSE BY DECEPTION. AND CHALLENGE God's INTEGRITY AND MOTIVES.

- Gen 3:5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then **your eyes shall be opened**, and **ye shall be as gods**, knowing **good and evil**.
- Gen 3:4 And the **serpent said** unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
- Gen 3:5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and **ye shall be as gods**, knowing good and evil.
- Gen 3:6 And when the woman **saw** that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired **to make** *one* **wise**, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Here we find three things which cause the loss of God's identity.

- 1. Listening to the wrong voice
- 2. Operating by sight, not by faith
- 3. Pride, seeking promotion, without God.

Rarely does this process affect only you, it usually brings in others as well

He wants to steal your identity, your power, your authority, your position, your peace, your joy etc.

How do we stop Identity theft?

- 1. Know your true identity what did God say!
- 2. Maintain that identity with diligence, focus, consistency, profession and confession.
- 3. Live and walk, breath, think, act from that identity.

OUR TRUE IDENTITY

Gen 1:26-28

God said:

1. We are made in His image, after our likeness

These first words are the key to our existence in God and the power by which we can do all things in and through Him.

His image, His likeness

Understanding these two things, gives us tremendous insight into how we live our lives in God.

IMAGE: From an unused root meaning to shade; or a shadow, resemblance, representative

a reproduction or imitation of the form of a person or thing;

to create a representation of, to reflect, mirror

LIKENESS: resemble, the quality or state of being like

Here I believe that the nature, the character of God, the very seed of God was planted in us.

If God is in us then what is it that is in us?

So to understand our true identity we must know what God's image, and God's likeness is.

Image: What do you see when you see God? NO DARKNESS (sin, death, sickness, pain, depression, disappointment, failure, hopelessness, fear, unbelief, variance, falseness, deception, hate, etc.)

Likeness: What do you experience when you encounter God?

God is love, God is light, God is unchangeable, God is power, God is true, God is just, God is life, God is good, God is merciful, God is grace, God is forgiveness,

We look like God and we act like God.

- 2. We have dominion over the creations upon the earth
- 3. We are blessed

Pronouncing a blessing upon them, in the virtue of which, their posterity should extend to the utmost corners of the earth, and continue to the utmost period of time.

- 4. We are to be fruitful (to bear forth fruit)
- 5. We are to multiply (make more of you, naturally and spiritually)
- 6. We are to replenish the earth (return the earth to the state is was before Adam and Eve sinned)
- 7. We are to subdue it (A primitive root; to *tread* down, to *conquer*, *subjugate*, keep under, and bring into subjection.)

WHEN DOES OUR IDENTITY IN God CHANGE? --- -- NEVER!

If Jesus said, we are more than conquerors, when are we not more than a conqueror? If Jesus said, we are over comers, when are we not an over comer? If Jesus said, I gave you life, when do we entertain in anyway death?

If Jesus said, we walk and live by faith, when do we enter doubt and unbelief?

Eph 4:24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

When do we take off the new man?

Identity loss comes from ignorance, carelessness, disobedience, and selfishness.

God has established our identity in Him and in His Word.

To walk in who we are we must know who we are.

To walk in who we are we must know God.

Gal 4:9 But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

We have been set free, anointed by God, given purpose, power and authority. This is who we are and what we do. Never lose any part of your identity in God. Stay true to who you are in Him. To do less is to slap at the death of Jesus on the cross. For He paid the price in full for our complete identity in Him.