



Discuss

What is your identity? Where does your identity come from?

READING

Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. 6 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.

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QUESTIONS

1. What stands out to you in this passage? Why?

2. As disciples of Jesus where does our identity come from? Read verses 1-2.

3. What does it mean to glory in your sufferings? How can someone do this?

4. How can God help us grow through suffering? Has this happened to you?

5. What do v.6-8 tell us about the cross, ourselves, and God?

6. How might these verses influence how you see yourself and live each day?

7. How can you live out your identity this week as someone who has faith in Jesus Christ?

Pray: Loving Lord God, thank you that through Jesus we can live as your forgiven children. Forgive us for living our own way and rejecting your love and grace. Help us to appreciate how much Jesus did for us on the cross and to love you with our whole lives and love our neighbours as we love ourselves. Amen.