

Walking in Our Identity in Christ – Becoming His Story Makers

When we come to Christ, everything changes. Life is no longer simply about my story – it becomes part of His Story. Yet many of us live with a tension: we know these truths in our heads, but the real question is whether we are walking them out in the reality of daily life. As followers of Jesus, we are not merely called to believe; we are invited to live as His story makers – people whose lives testify to His transforming power.

Paul declares: “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!” (2 Corinthians 5:17). This is not simply a theological idea – it is the truth of who we are. We are no longer defined by our past, our failures, or even by what others may say about us. Our identity is now rooted in Christ. John reminds us: “See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are.” (1 John 3:1). And Peter adds: “You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession...” (1 Peter 2:9). To understand this is to realise that His life has now become our life.

Jesus assured His disciples: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples...” (Matthew 28:18–19). Authority flows out of relationship. We are co-heirs with Christ (Romans 8:17), bearing the weight and power of His name. Think of the police officer who raises a hand to stop the traffic. The cars do not stop because of the officer’s physical strength but because of the authority they represent. In the same way, our authority in Christ is not dependent on our own ability but upon the One who lives within us.

This calling is not to be carried out in our own strength. Jesus promised: “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses...” (Acts 1:8). Paul describes this as the same power that raised Christ from the dead (Ephesians 1:19–20). That resurrection power is at work in us today. It strengthens, equips, and emboldens us to live out our witness in every sphere of life – in our work, our families, our communities, and our nations.

Our identity and authority in Christ are not confined to Sunday gatherings; they are for the whole of life. When temptation comes, we are to remember who we are (1 Corinthians 10:13). When fear threatens to overwhelm, we stand firm in His victory (Romans 8:37). As we step into our workplaces or communities, we do so as Christ’s ambassadors (2 Corinthians 5:20). Our lives themselves become testimonies to His grace and power: “They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.” (Revelation 12:11).

Therefore, we must refuse to walk with heads bowed and shoulders heavy, as though

defeated. We are sons and daughters of the King. “You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.” (1 John 4:4). We can speak life into situations of despair (Proverbs 18:21), pray with confidence in the name of Jesus (John 14:13–14), and step forward into opportunities knowing that Christ goes before us (Deuteronomy 31:8).

Our story is not finished, for His story is still unfolding through us. When we walk in our true identity, clothed in His power and authority, the world begins to see Jesus. “The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.” (1 Thessalonians 5:24). Let us rise, then – not in fear but in faith, not in weakness but in His strength, not in confusion but in the clarity of our calling. Let us walk as His story makers.

Questions to explore

1. Identity in Christ:

Paul says in 2 Corinthians 5:17 that we are a “new creation” in Christ. What does it practically mean for you to live as a new creation, and how does that shape the way you view your past, present, and future?

2. Living as Story Makers:

The text speaks of moving from *my story* to *His Story*. In what ways can your daily life—work, family, community—become part of God’s bigger story? Can you share an example where your life pointed someone toward Christ?

3. Authority and Power:

Jesus gave His disciples authority (Matthew 28:18–19) and promised power through the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). How do authority and power work together in the life of a believer? What keeps us from walking fully in them?

4. Challenges and Temptations:

When temptation, fear, or discouragement comes, which of the identity promises in Scripture (e.g., 1 John 4:4, Romans 8:37, 2 Corinthians 5:20) speak most powerfully to you, and why?

5. Walking as Ambassadors:

As Christ’s ambassadors (2 Corinthians 5:20), how can we practically represent Jesus in our workplaces, communities, or families this week? What would it look like to “speak life” (Proverbs 18:21) into a specific situation you are facing?