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Who I Am

Instructions: Complete each step one at a time. To have the most impact, do not read ahead to the next step.

Pretend you are being interviewed for a position at church. Why church? Well, in some jobs, we can just focus on who we are professionally but in the case of a church job, who you are personally is just as important. After all, people will see you in the community and how you are outside of work matters just as much as who you are at work.

Let's assume that the archangel Michael is conducting the interview so there's no point in exaggerating your good qualities or leaving out the not-so-good. When Michael does a background check on you, he is going to the source (God) who knows all about you.

Step 1: Write down 10 to 20 words that describe you – the good and the not-so-good, personally, professionally, privately, publicly and secretly (make sure to capture all five).

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Step 2: Write down 10 to 20 words that describe who Jesus just as you did for yourself.

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Step 3: Reflect on how your description of yourself compares to your description of Jesus. In the space below, write down 2 or 3 things you are feeling or thinking about how you described yourself and how you described Jesus.

Step 4: What I'd like for you to do now is go back to step 2 and respectfully erase or cross out Jesus' name and write in your name. In the space below, write down 2 or 3 things that you would have to change the most in order for you to become more like Jesus.

We have to know who we can be in order to become that person. Like Jesus, we can become children of God.

If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your savior and you have been baptized, you are a child of God. If you accept this truth, you are free. If you do not, you will either remain ignorant - you don't know what you don't know; or you are unfaithful – you know but you do not believe. You are either making a conscious decision to not pursue the knowledge or you have the knowledge but are making a conscious decision to not believe.

It's like not knowing the world is round, or being told its round but you don't believe it. Many people don't believe what they do not see until they experience it for themselves (you will have a chance to experience a relationship with God in the next assignment). Then there are a few that see it but still don't believe.



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What does the Bible say about non-believers?

2 Peter 2: ¹⁹ "...for people are slaves to whatever has mastered them." ²⁰ If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and are overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. ²¹ It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them. ²² Of them the proverbs are true: "A dog returns to its vomit," and, "A sow that is washed returns to her wallowing in the mud."

Recall what happened to the people Moses led out of Egypt - they did not get to enter the Promise Land. I do not want that to happen to you.

When you are living in harmony with God, when you are your best self, your spiritual self, your divine self, then experiencing purpose, peace & prosperity in your financial life will come easy to you. Your life will be as functional and orderly as all of God's creation is. Think about the laws of the universe associated with gravity, magnets, mathematics and so forth. They are God-given, scientific principles that add order to our world. Your life can be just as orderly and functional.

Once we understand God's laws, we can use them as an instruction manual, roadmap, or blueprint to help us experience purpose, peace and prosperity. When we don't know them, it can be deadly. When we know them but don't believe, it can also be deadly or at the very least, make everything a constant struggle. Stop fighting gravity!

Psalms 86:8 For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

God loves you. God loves you. God loves you. God loves you.
