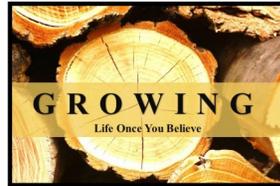


# THE FIGHT FOR IDENTITY

PHIL. 2:12-13; JOHN 13:3-6; EPH. 1,  
1 TIM. 6:12; JOHN 8:31-32



## The Need (John 13:3-6)

What you believe about yourself is the foundation of your life; it is your identity, and a faulty foundation will create cracks in the soul. If you are going to construct a healthy life, it begins with what you believe about yourself.” ~ Dr. Rob Reimer

## The Authority (Eph. 1)

“What we do does not determine who we are. Who we are and what we believe about ourselves determines what we do.... We are not trying to become children of God, we are children of God becoming more like Christ” ~ Neil Anderson

## The Challenge

“There can be no transformation where there is no revelation. We cannot overcome that which we will not admit.” ~ Dr. Rob Reimer

## The Challenge (Cont.)

### The Fight (1 Tim. 6:12; John 8:31-32)

“The fight is to believe the gospel, to let it be our defining authority.”  
~ Jonathan Dodson

### Going Deeper

(For individual or small groups to go deeper with the passage)

- Read John 13:1-6. What is happening? What does Jesus know about Himself? What does this enable Him to do?
- Read Ephesians 1. In your Bible or on a piece of paper, write down as many answers as you can to this statement... In Christ I am \_\_\_\_\_.
- Where do you see parallels between Jesus knowing His identity and you knowing your identity from Ephesians 1?
- From your study on Ephesians 1, what are two or three of the “I am” statements which speak the most to you at this moment in your spiritual life?
- Which of the faulty foundations for identity can you identify with either now or in the past? (Ex. Performance, People, Possessions, Power, etc.)
- Spiritual Exercise: This week look up Neil Anderson’s “Who I Am In Christ” list (<https://ficm.org/about-us/#!/who-i-am-in-christ>). Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you to one of these categories and statements that you need to memorize and work out in your life.