

# ...in Christ

week three  
September 28, 2011

**background:** What does it mean to be “in Christ?” How do we live our lives “in Christ?” Each one of us have different “worlds” where we live our lives... we have the school world, the work world, the sports world, the home world, the friends world and the church world. So, which worlds are “in Christ” and which ones aren’t? How do we fully live our lives “in Christ” and not just in one or two of the worlds that we live in? Well, that’s what this series is about... living our whole lives “in Christ!”

Each week we will look at some of our “worlds” and talk about how to live in Christ in each of these worlds. Each week’s lesson will also have a question that accompanies it. We want to challenge students to take these questions out of the building and into their week and allow the question to shape how they live during the rest of the week.

**week two: Your identity ...in Christ.**

**“When was the last time you acted like a child of God”**

**scripture:**

•Mark 10:15

•Romans 8:14-17

•Galatians 4:6-7

•Ephesians 4:29-5:3

•I John 3:1-3

**discussion:**

1. Check in with your group, see how they are doing. Ask how the topics of the last two weeks have been impacting their lives? Have they been thinking about them? How have they affected their living?
2. How do you see yourself?
3. How did you develop this picture of yourself? Where did it come from?
4. How much of how you see yourself is shaped by you and how much is shaped by others?

5. What do self esteem and identity have to do with each other?
6. Last week we talked about our reputation. How are reputation and identity the same and how are they different? Are they connected to each other?
7. What does it mean to have your sole identity be as a “child of God?” What would this look like?
8. How can you adopt the identity of a “child of God” and make it the primary way that you see yourself? How does this practically happen?
9. This weeks question is “When was the last time you acted like you were God’s child?” How can acting like God’s child affect your whole life?