

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Message Series: Labels
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UP NEXT

- **Adopt-A-Senior:** Last year, life groups participated in an initiative called Adopt-A-Senior. Due to COVID-19, seniors have lost a lot of opportunities and this class has not had it much better. This year, we will continue in this and we are asking your life group to Adopt-A-Senior. This means: Your group prays for them starting now and as they enter college, spends \$100 on gifts for them in May and sends them encouraging letters. For more details and to Adopt-A-Senior, please contact Jourdy Persinger.
- **Heartland Hope Mission:** Need an opportunity to serve as a life group? Heartland Hope Mission needs volunteers in this season. They distribute food and items to those who are in need of such things. You can help serving the people who walk into their doors. Go to heartlandhopemission.org to register for volunteering.



MAIN IDEA

Everyone tells you who you should be. God tells you who you are.

INTRODUCTION

There is a question that every person asks themselves at some point in their life: Who Am I? This is a loaded question. As we peel back every layer of who we are and we enter into the world around us, we are labeled. We label ourselves, the culture labels you and we can't help but to label others. The things we do often lead to a label. What if our label wasn't achieved but received?

We have been labeled by others and we label ourselves. But the true label that we need to live by is what God calls us. In a world of labels, it's easy to be determined by the culture and world we live in. The people we are around. But what our goal needs to be is to believe who God says we are.

WARM UP

- What is a label that you still hang onto today?

DISCUSSION

- Do you see healthy direction in your life with a new label?
- How can love from God change your view of yourself?
- Read Acts 4:13
 - What indicators proved to others that these men were with Jesus?
- How has your identity changed since being with Jesus?
- Is it hard to believe the labels God may give you?
- Read John 1:12
 - How does this give you significance?
- If someone were to ask you who you are in Christ, what would be your response?

APPLY IT

- What is one way to abide in God's love for you?
- What are some of the labels God gives us that specifically resonate with you?
- Read through some of these verses and think how these can affect your life:
 - Romans 5:1
 - Eph. 1:3-8
 - 1 John 5:18
 - 1 Cor. 3:16
 - Ephesians 2:10
- How can you give God permission to break the lies in your life?
- Pray this prayer a few times this week: "God, who I am in you is what my identity is. Help me to keep my identity focused on you and in you. Remind me daily that who you say I am is all that matters."