

## I. INTRODUCTION

1. As a believer in Christ, one of the most powerful and challenging things you can do at any given moment in time is to see yourself as God sees you – through God’s eyes of love.

***1 John 4:17 .... as He (Jesus) is so are we in this world.***

2. God is not measuring or judging you, according to how well you have performed or how far you have fallen short of His glory through your sins and mistakes, but rather God is looking at the reality of who you now are in Christ through the redemptive power of Jesus’ blood.

3. On the cross Jesus totally identified with who you once were, so you could be completely identified with who He is now. See yourself through the lens of God’s great love for you.

*CHR Resource/Prayer: [“The Great Exchange of the Cross.”](#)*

4. It is your privilege and honor to defeat satan’s temptations, his lies concerning your God-given identity, just as Jesus did by declaring the written Word of God. (Matt. 3:17 - 4:11; Rom. 10:10)

*CHR Resource/ Teaching: [Activate the Power of God’s Word \(series\)](#)*

5. Declare Your Identity in Christ: It is written... as Jesus is so am I in this world.

## II. MIRROR IMAGES

### A. God’s Word, the Mirror of Truth

1. The only way you will be able to live victoriously in your true God-given identity just as Jesus did when He walked on this earth, is by keeping Jesus, the living Word of God, before your face.

***Acts 2:25 I foresaw the LORD always before my face, for He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken...*** (Acts 2:25-28 quotes Psalm 16:8-11. King David prophetically declared how Jesus triumphantly lived on the earth.)

2. God’s Word is like a mirror, empowering you to peer into the Spirit realm of God’s Kingdom. It empowers you to see that you are the mirror image of Jesus.

***James 1:23-25 TPT If you listen to the Word and don’t live out the message you hear, you become like the person who looks in the mirror of the Word to discover the reflection of his face in the beginning. 24 You perceive how God sees you in the mirror of the Word, but then you go out and forget your divine origin. 25 But those who set their gaze deeply into the perfecting law of liberty ... they experience God’s blessing in all that they do!***

3. You are called to keep your eyes focused on invisible eternal realm of God’s Kingdom as revealed by the Word of God.

***2 Cor. 2:16-18 Therefore we do not lose heart... while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.***

4. When you invited Jesus Christ, “the Light of the world” into your heart, you became His image bearer - “the light of the world.” See yourself as God sees you as “the light of the world.”

***John 8:12*** Jesus declared ***“I am the light of the world.”***

*Matthew 5:14-16* Jesus said, “*You are the light of the world... Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.*”

*1 Thessalonians 5:5* *You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night, nor of darkness.*

*Ephesians 5:8* *For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of the light.*

5. Declare your identity in Christ: It is written... I am the light of the world, Jesus’ image bearer. I will let my light shine before men, so they can see the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
6. By looking steadfastly into the mirror of God’s Word, you are able to see yourself as God sees you and to walk accordingly, receiving and ministering all the blessings in Christ.

*Genesis 1:26-27* *Then God (Elohim) said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness ... ; so God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him...*

Declare your identity in Christ: ([Review from Session #1 of this series.](#)) It is written...

- I am made in the image and likeness of God.
  - I am loved by God. I am God’s beloved son/daughter in whom He is well pleased. (Mt. 3:17)
7. You were made in the mirror image of Elohim – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. If you have a distorted image of the Father, the Son, or the Holy Spirit – you will have a distorted image of yourself, of your true God-given identity in Christ.
  8. God’s Word is Truth. (Jn. 17:17; Jn. 8:40) Learn to trust and rely in Jesus Christ, the Word of Truth, more than any other word– for it is the superior eternal reality that God has for your life and for the world. ([See CHR Resource/Prayers – Whole Armor of God](#))
  9. Any word which is even slightly distorted from God’s Word will give you a false image of who God is and who you are as His beloved son or daughter who has been made in His image.

*Gal. 5:9 TPT* *Don’t you know that when you allow even a little lie into your heart, it can permeate your entire belief system?*

## **B. The Enchanted Mirror – The Fairy Tale of Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs**

The enchanted mirror in this fairy tale reflects the mirrors of vanity that this world offers and their potential disastrous consequences. Challenge: Give the gift of the mirror of God’s Word so people can see themselves as God sees them.

*2 Cor. 5:16* *Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh.*

## **C. The Mirrors of Vanity this World Offers**

1. Mirrors of vanity give you a false sense of security, belonging, approval, worth. But once they have captured your attention, they will inevitably point out your flaws and shortcomings - how you don’t measure up to someone who is “fairer” than you.
2. Unfortunately, these mirrors distort your God-given identity, provoking you to think, feel, and live in ways that totally contradict your divine God-given design and destiny. They tempt you to believe a false identity.

**D. Your Choice of Mirror Matters – It’s a Matter of Life or Death**

Every day you have a choice of which mirror you will look at - either God’s mirror or satan’s mirror, the enchanted mirrors. Make the quality decision to steadfastly look at God’s mirror of Truth, and you will be transformed into His very image from glory to glory.

*2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

**E. God Sees You as the “Fairest of All”**

1. God saw Jesus as the fairest of all.

*Psalm 45:2 Living Bible “You are the fairest of all; Your words are filled with grace; God Himself is blessing You forever.”*

2. God sees you as “the fairest of them all.” See yourself as God sees you.

*Song of Solomon 1:9 TPT My dearest one, let me tell you how I see you, you are so thrilling to me... Song of Solomon 1:8, 5:9; 6:1 NKJV “O fairest among women...”*

3. Declare Your Identity in Christ: “It is written... I am the fairest of all.”

**F. Mankind Received a Warped Mirror Image from the First Adam**

The moment that Adam and Eve chose to believe and act upon the warped image satan reflected to them, their spirits instantly died. Their spirit underwent the most devastating identity exchange ever – from carrying the life of God to becoming devoid of the supernatural life of God.

*1 Corinthians 15:22 For as in Adam all die... (their spirits died)*

**III. Your God-given Identity Redeemed “In Christ”**

**A. New Creation “In Christ”**

1. Because of God’s great love for the world, God gave Jesus Christ, His only Son, to die our death on the cross, providing mankind with the only way our God-given identity could be redeemed. (John 3:16)
2. The moment you invite Jesus Christ into your heart as your Lord and Savior a miracle of miracles takes place. You become a new creation in Christ.

*2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.*

- Your old identity in Adam “passed away.” It perished or ceased to exist.
  - God’s power was released into your human spirit, making you into a new creation in Christ, where all things have become new.
3. The blood of Jesus made this new creation miracle possible. (Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:13-14; Rom. 5:9)
  4. **Declare Your Identity in Christ:** I am a new creation in Christ. The old things in my life have passed away; they have been crucified with Christ. Behold, I am a completely new person; all things have become new. (2 Cor. 5:17; Gal. 2:20)

5. The old things (in Adam) for the new things for the new things (in Christ) is the great exchange of the cross. (See Resources/Prayers [“Great Exchange of the Cross”](#) at [www.CamarilloHealing.com](http://www.CamarilloHealing.com) )

**Recommended Resources on “Identity in Christ” at [www.CamarilloHealing.com](http://www.CamarilloHealing.com)**

**Resources/Prayers**

Know Your True Identity in Christ, 28 “I am” Declarations

Great Exchange of the Cross

**Resources/Teaching**

“Activating the Power of God’s Word” Series – Click on “Filter Series”

“You are Made in God’s Image,” Session #1 of “Embrace Your God-given Identity.”