

October Formation Table Additional Resources

Discussion ideas:

- What stood out to you from this session?
- How could having a secure identity with God change everything for a person's life?
- How have you seen an insecure identity disrupt someone's spiritual development?
- In scripture, where do you see Jesus' identity challenged? How do you see his identity being shaped?

Assignment:

Make a list of the "identity verses" that most speak to you and share your list with someone you are in community with. Answer this question "What lies about your identity do these words dislodge?"

Scripture for Further Study:

Luke 3 Romans 8 Ephesians 1 & 2

As you are studying consider a handful of questions:

- What different topics do you see addressed in this passage?
- Does the author indicate why they have written this?
- What does this scripture teach us about the true nature of God?
- Does this passage teach us about how God views us?
- Does this passage invite us to do, think, or change anything in our lives?
- What questions does this passage prompt in you?

Songs for Reflection:

[Who Am I | NEEDTOBREATHE](#)

[Beloved | Jordan Feliz](#)

Also available on our Spotify [Formation Table playlist](#)

Visio Divina:

[Paper Thumbprint | Luke Bugbee](#)

[The Baptism of the Christ | Daniel Bonnell](#)

Also available on our Pinterest [Visio Divina board](#)

Books:

The Cure by John Lynch, Bruce McNicol, and Bill Thrall

Videos:

[Sermon: Cover Your Eyes. Listen | Laura Parker](#)

Ponder:

'You're tending to my ordinary self,
Daily making it something
More exceptional, in love.
May you learn to love your ordinary self – your today self –
Celebrating both the image of God's beauty in you right now, and
Your exponential potential for greater shaping into love.'

We're not waiting to be good; we're made that way. Our very ordinary self – the self we sometimes get bored with, the self that carries all our faults – is the self that God lives in and fills today.

Because he loves to.

There is not a soul on earth not woven with deep and tender care. Every imperfection loved. Every cell a poem from the mouth of divine creativity.

We're not waiting for God to make us good – He's waiting for us to see the ways in which we already are. -

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