

Crowned – Part 2

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This is the message that changed my life. This series is about you discovering what God has done for you. Each week will not be about what you must do for God, but rather, what you must believe God has done for you!

Week One – Crowned with the Father’s love

Week Two – Crowned with dignity and worth

Week Three – Crowned with a divine inheritance

Week Four – Crowned with peace

There are 3 Questions I want to help answer:

1. Question 1: What Am I Worth?

Is my worth based on money or success? Is it diminished because of failure? The worth of something is based on what you are willing to pay for it. My appraised value is the blood of Jesus.

We are “a chip off the old block”. We were created in the image of God.

Genesis 1:27 - So God created man in his own image and likeness, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Until you know what something is worth, you don’t know how to treat it.

- Every life decision you make will be rooted in where you find your value and worth. If you think your value & worth are in achievement, you will make decisions to achieve, and you will do it at the expense of the most precious things in your life.
- What is man to God? God’s appraisal of you – you are priceless
- Do my daily decisions reflect my worth?

What is man to God?

Psalms 8:3-5 - When I look up into the night skies and see the work of your fingers- the moon and the stars you have made. What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for and visit him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings (*elohiyim*) and crowned him with glory, honor, dignity and worth.

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2. **How Did We Lose the Glory, Honor, Dignity & Worth?**

All sin is rooted in believing the deception that there is something good for me outside of God.

Genesis 3:1, 4-5

Satan said to the woman, "did God really say", "You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" Satan said to the woman, "you will not surely die, for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

- This was a deception: they were already "like God" – *they were made in His likeness and image.*
- The ultimate deception is that there is something good for me outside of God's will.

Genesis 3:6-8 - So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of God among the trees of the garden.

- They judged God.
- They experienced shame.
- They hid themselves from God.
- They covered themselves – we have been covering ourselves ever since.

Romans 3:23 - For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

When sin came, their nakedness was revealed. The only way back was through a redeemer.

3. **How do we get our dignity and worth restored?**

John 17:22-24 – Jesus said, "And the glory, dignity and worth which You gave Me, I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them, as You have loved Me."

- When you believe this love, it changes everything in your life.
Stop living in the deception that there is something good for you outside of God.
- Jesus restores the glory and honor and dignity and worth that sin destroyed.
- You must take next steps to embrace the truth, to intentionally yield to God - live in this dignity, worth & freedom.
 - Weekend services
 - Small groups – come as you are
 - Starting Point

Because of His love

Luke 19:10 - Indeed, the Son of Man has come to seek and save people who are lost.

God is desperate for you. He is desperate to have a relationship with you because He loves you.

If you understand His love, and what He rescued you from, it changes everything.