

# YOUTH Discipleship Guide



## **"Who Do You Think You Are"**

*For the week of October 15 - 21, 2017*

### **Warm Up:**

If you could describe yourself in three words, what would that be?

### **Main Thought:**

Our identity influences all of the decisions we make in life. When we know who we are, we know what to do and how to live. Often times, we get our identity from what we do (skills, jobs, career), what we have (material things), or what people think about us. Whatever we are defined by we become devoted to. In Christ, we receive our identity from God and what He says about us. Knowing who we are in God empowers us to overcome any of life's oppositions.

### **Main Passages:**

*"As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'" (Matthew 3:16-17)*

(Turn over for continuation...)

## Main Passages (continued)

*"Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness,<sup>2</sup> where he was tempted by the devil for forty days. Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry.<sup>3</sup> Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become a loaf of bread.'<sup>4</sup> But Jesus told him, 'No! The Scriptures say, "People do not live by bread alone."<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him up and revealed to him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.<sup>6</sup> 'I will give you the glory of these kingdoms and authority over them,' the devil said, 'because they are mine to give to anyone I please.<sup>7</sup> I will give it all to you if you will worship me.'<sup>8</sup> Jesus replied, 'The Scriptures say, "You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him."<sup>9</sup> Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, and said, 'If you are the Son of God, jump off!<sup>10</sup> For the Scriptures say, "He will order his angels to protect and guard you.<sup>11</sup> And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone."<sup>12</sup> Jesus responded, 'The Scriptures also say, "You must not test the Lord your God."<sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished tempting Jesus, he left him until the next opportunity came.' (Luke 4:1-13 NLT)*

## Discussion Questions

### Higher: Getting Closer to God

- Read Matthew 3:16-17. God affirmed Jesus before He did any public ministry. Do you believe that God thinks this way about you?
- Read Luke 4:1-13. What stands out to you from this story?

### Deeper: Applying God's Word in Community

- We often find our identity in what we do, what we possess, or what people think about us. Which of the three do you struggle with the most?

### Wider: Impacting Your World

- Our identity should come from what God says about us. What is your biggest weakness? What does God's Word say about you, in regards to that weakness?

