

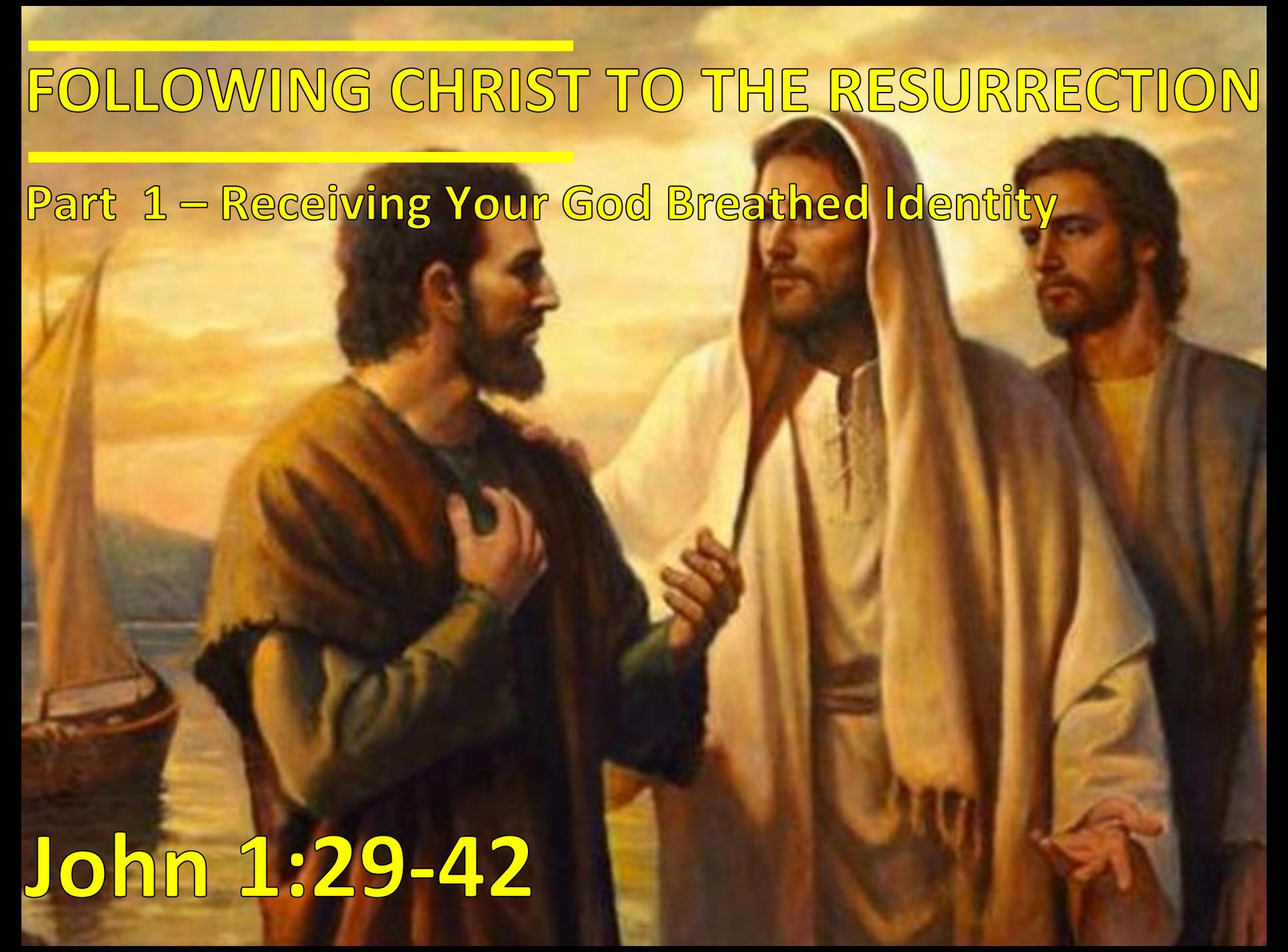
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# FOLLOWING CHRIST TO THE RESURRECTION

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## Part 1 – Receiving Your God Breathed Identity

**John 1:29-42**



## **John 1:29**

**The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!**

## **John 1:30**

**He is the one I was talking about when I said, 'A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'**

# **John 1:31**

**I did not recognize him as the  
Messiah, but I have been  
baptizing with water so that he  
might be revealed to Israel.”**

## **John 1:32**

**Then John testified, “I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaven and resting upon him.**

## **John 1:33**

**I didn't know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, 'The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'**

# John 1:34

I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the Chosen One of God.

# John 1:35

The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples.

# John 1:36

As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, “Look! There is the Lamb of God!”

# John 1:37

When John's two disciples heard  
this, they followed Jesus.

## **John 1:38**

**Jesus looked around and saw them following. “What do you want?” he asked them. They replied, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”**

## **John 1:39**

**“Come and see,” he said. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day.**

# **John 1:40**

**Andrew, Simon Peter's brother,  
was one of these men who heard  
what John said and then followed  
Jesus.**

## **John 1:41**

**Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”).**

## **John 1:42**

**Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”).**

SO WHO IS THIS

JESUS

# True Identity of Jesus in John 1

- Jesus is the *Logos*
- Jesus is *God*
- Jesus is the *Creator*
- Jesus is the source of *Life*
- Jesus is the *Light*
- Jesus is the *Son of God*
- Jesus is the *Messiah*

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# Defining Identity:

**The FACT of who or what a person is. Identity often dictates purpose.**

# The Myth About Identity

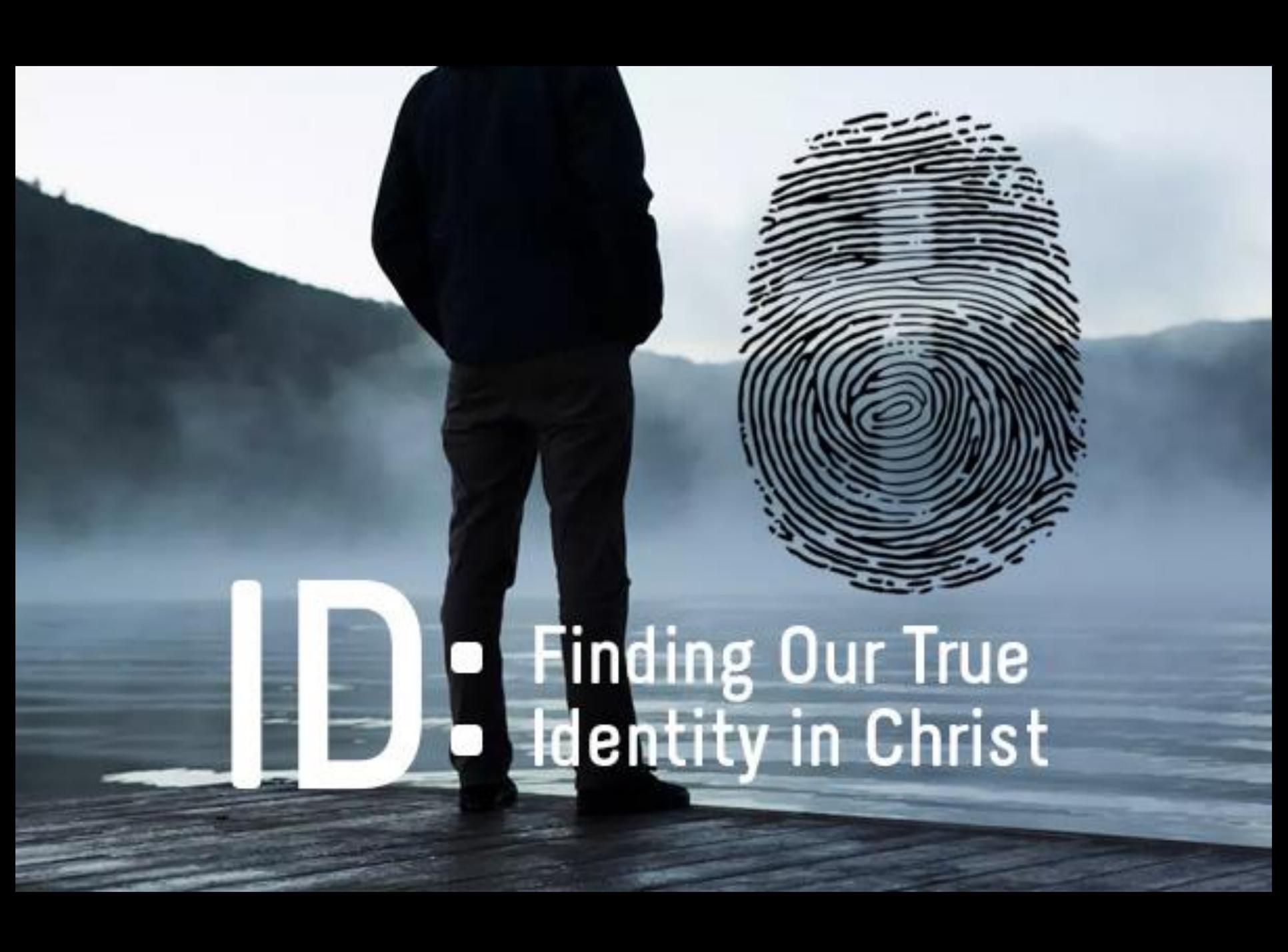
**Throughout your teenage years and your early twenties, you will figure out your identity, then you will spend the rest of your life living it out.**

# The Importance of Identity

- **Who I am often dictates how I relate to my family.**
- **Who I am often determines the career I choose.**
- **Who I am often defines what I believe and it often defines my relationship with God.**

# The Importance of Identity

- **Who I am often determines how I speak to others, how I speak about others, how I handle difficulties, and how I respond to injustice, which are but just a few examples.**
- **Who I am often determines my purpose.**



ID

- Finding Our True
- Identity in Christ

# Your God Breathed Identity

**The culmination of the unique ways in which God has created you to highlight specific attributes of His character and to fulfill His will. It is what makes you unique in the Kingdom of God. It is what makes you God's masterpiece.**

# Your God Breathed Identity

**Your God Breathed Identity comes with unique personality, values, convictions, passions, circumstances, purposes, roles, skills, abilities, giftings, experiences, blessings, failures, struggles, situations, heartbreaks, and anointings.**



# Principle #1

**Your God Breathed Identity is about discovering and becoming who God originally created you to be.**

## **John 1:42**

**Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”).**

**When you accepted God's universal call to salvation and His call to be in relationship with Him, Christ unlocked the corporate aspects of your God Breathed Identity, as well as your individual, unique, and special God Breathed Identity that He originally created you with.**

# Principle #2

**Discovering your God Breathed Identity is dependent on God's grace, God's revelation, and on being in relationship with Him, because He is the author, designer and creator of your life.**

**Christ's assertion of Simon's God Breathed identity as Peter in John 1:42, signaled God's plan for who and what Peter was supposed to become. It marked how God was going to personally mold him and transform him.**

# Principle #3

**The more you come to discover and learn about God's character and identity, the more you will learn more about your God Breathed Identity.**

**Our God Breathed Identity has  
been muddied, confused,  
distorted, and robbed by  
misinformation, faulty  
conclusions, inappropriate labels,  
bad experiences, unjust  
circumstances, and because we  
have accepted lies as truth.**

# Principle #4

**Being transformed into your God  
Breathed Identity is a life long  
process.**

**When Jesus told Simon he would be called Peter one day, Jesus was asserting that Simon was now on a spiritually significant journey. Simon was about to begin the journey which would unlock, develop, and reveal the true character of who God had originally created Him to be.**

# Principle #5

**Your God Breathed Identity is meant to grow from general to specific, from previous to current, and build on your past in order to lead you into the future.**

# Principle #6

**Your God Breathed Identity is dependent on God's transformative works of your whole person. The more you die to yourself, the more your God Breathed Identity becomes reality.**

# Your God Breathed Identity is

- **Someone only you can be.**
- **Something that only you will be able to understand.**
- **Someone that only you can become.**
- **Something that only you can do.**

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