

4 Core Elements of Your Being That Shape Your Destiny

Identity, Intimacy, integrity, and humility are vital elements that shape our destiny. Though they develop separately, they work together to help you and your family members to fulfil destiny.

IDENTITY: It is critical that you take God at His word and believe who He says you are in Christ. To start with, God states that He deliberately chose you for Himself and that you belong to Him! Rejoice my friend!!! He also says that you are very precious, holy, and dearly loved (1 Peter 2:9). Most significantly, He created you in His very image and likeness (Genesis 1:27). The most exciting thing about your identity in Christ is that it's all down to His finished redemptive work for you and I! Believing and owning these truths is essential in developing a strong and healthy spiritual core. [\[Click here for more on believer's identity in Christ\]](#)

INTIMACY: It is absolutely true that God could never love you more than He did before you came to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. He accepts you and He is totally committed to caring for you. However, your knowledge of, and ability to enjoy all that He is to you and in you can only grow through intimacy with Him.

Be free and open in sharing your true thoughts and feelings with God at all times, and be attentive to the things He has to say to you too. Learn to sit at His feet (in His presence) and enjoy your company with Him. Trust in the strength of His Holy Spirit to help you hear and obey His word. Please note that cultivating a healthy attitude to fellowship with other believers feeds into and strengthens your intimacy with God. (Hebrews 10:25, Proverbs 27:17, Psalm 34:8)

INTEGRITY: The Webster dictionary defines integrity as "the quality or state of being complete or undivided." In popular parlance you can say "what you see is what you get." Jesus Christ is our perfect model for integrity. I earnestly aspire to be like Him. He said in John 14:9 "...He who has seen Me has seen the Father..." in John 10:30 He said "I and My Father are one." Jesus did not sound like the

Father, and then look different from the Father. There was complete unity in what He said and did. Likewise, our lives must demonstrate a unity between what we profess and how we live. Our private and public life must match. No inconsistencies. What the world hears and sees in us must match or else our testimony will sound hollow. The fruit of righteousness, goodness, fear of God, truth, integrity and humility must be there for all to see and give glory to our God in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

HUMILITY: Humility is the pathway of your spiritual core. It is the channel through which your true identity in Christ, your intimacy with Christ and the veracity of your entire being flows out to others.

How did Jesus demonstrate His authenticity? By humbly submitting to the will of His Father. How did His humility manifest to His disciples? He as their Master served them and washed their feet. True humility is the personification of love. You cannot love without humility.

"Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded." (John 13:3-5)

This is so contrary to human nature. The fallen nature dictates that when you have full authority, you should use it to force others to serve you. However, through genuine identity in Christ, intimacy with Him, integrity and humility we can live as sons of God here on earth.

Have you received and enjoy the grace of God in your life? Then be gracious to others starting with members of your household. The Christ in you wants to overflow to others.

How about supporting each member of your family to grow strong in their spiritual core.

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Take stock of where each person is at. How assured are they in their identity in Christ? How aware are they of their inheritance in Christ? How joined up is their profession with their actions, choices and preferences? How freely is the grace of God flowing from them to others? What is their sense of purpose?

The good Lord bless and establish you in the pathway to fulfilling destiny.

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