## Everyday Christianity "Finding Yourself"

Jeremiah 9:23-24

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Introduction: This morning we begin a new series I'm calling, "Everyday Christianity".

- 1. Christianity is a lifestyle. As Christians, we have committed to a life of following Jesus.
  - That's a 24/7 reality. In other words, Christianity extends beyond Sunday mornings.
- 2. As we begin, I want to focus on the issues of identity.
  - We live in a culture where identity has become complicated and confusing.
  - The result of this confusion, too many people struggle with their identity.
  - I don't think we can live as God intends until we know who we are.
- 3. So, this morning we'll focus on finding ourselves.
- I. Mistaken Identities
  - A. Traditional
  - B. Modern
  - C. Problems
- II. True Identity
  - A. Accept That God Loves You

- B. Allow God To Define You
- C. Become Who You Are In Christ

Conclusion: We all have an inner self-portrait.

- 1. It affects us positively or negatively, it affects every thought and action, and that broadcasts who we think we are.
- 2. If that self-portrait is distorted, our whole life will be distorted.
- 3. That's why it is essential we discover our true identity in Christ.
- 4. That identity will give us the security, significance, and satisfaction we won't find anywhere else.
- 5. When we get there, we are ready to navigate the twists and turns and ups and downs of life.