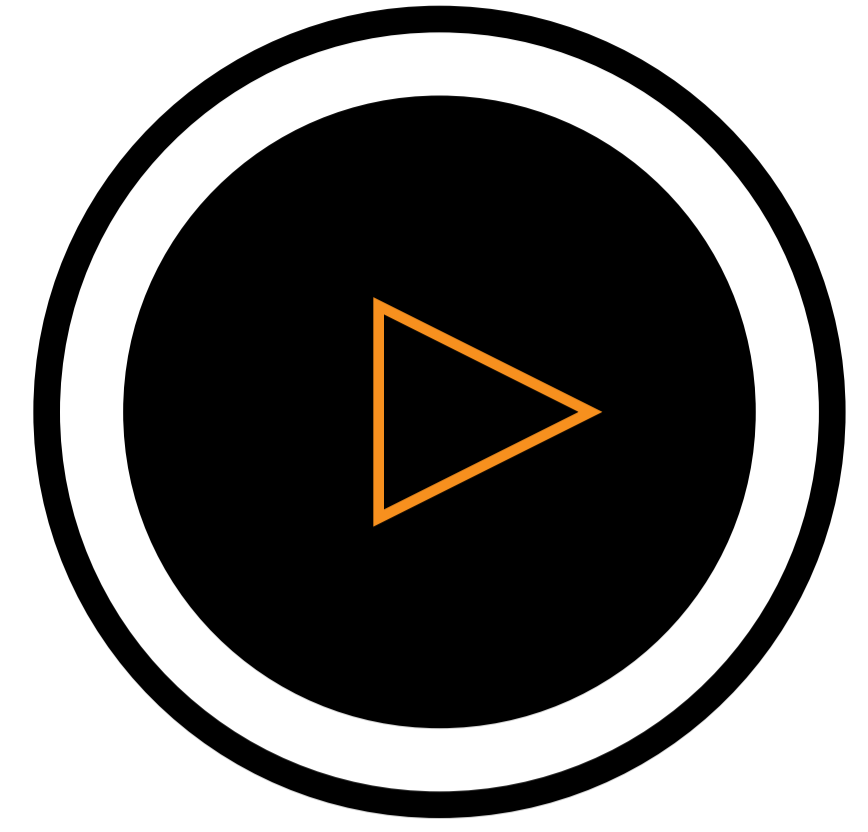




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**01** As you were thinking about the questions asked before the video, what stood out to you?

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**02** Where have you seen people turn to form their identities?

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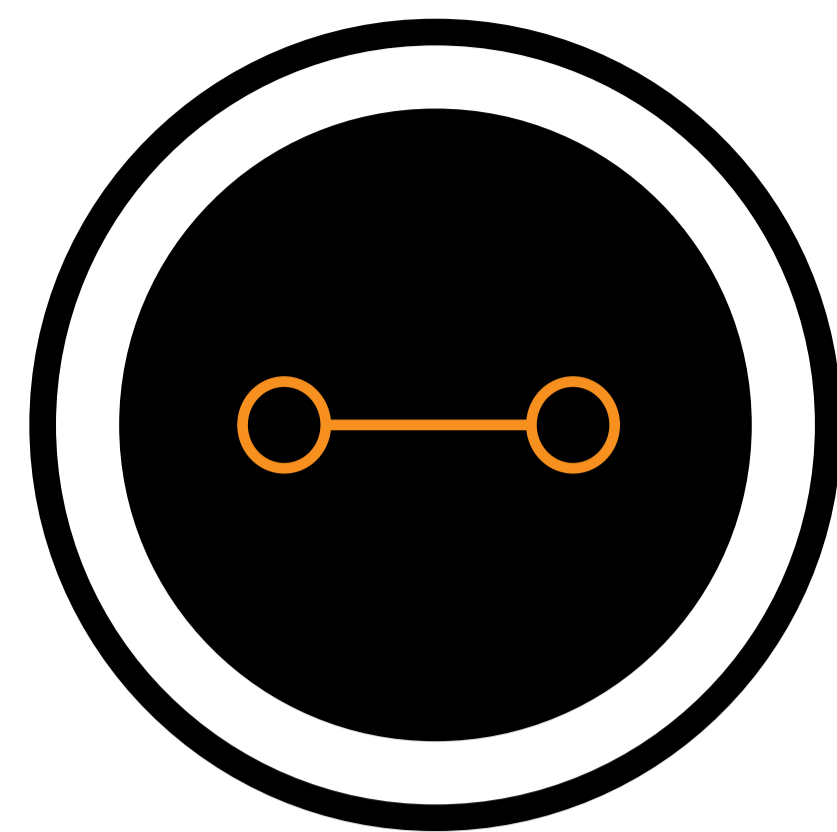
**03** Do you ever feel like social media pressures you to alter or tweek your identity? How so?

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**04** Have you ever felt pressured to live a holy life? How does knowing that the Holy Spirit is at work in your life give you hope?

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**05** How do you use social media: as a way to create your identity, discover it, or something else? What are some ways you could use it to reflect your identity in Jesus?



Dear friends, **we are already God's children**, but he has not yet shown us what we will be like when Christ appears. But we do know that **we will be like him**, for we will see him as he really is.

*1 John 3:2*

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But **whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away**. For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And **the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image**.

*2 Corinthians 3:16-18*

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But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

**“Once you had no identity as a people;  
now you are God's people.**

Once you received no mercy;  
now you have received God's mercy.”

***1 Peter 2:9-10***

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# 01

Consider the verse from 1 John. What's the *right now* reality of our identity? What part is *not yet*?

# 02

According to 1 Peter 2:9-10, what should be the result of our new identity as “royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession”?

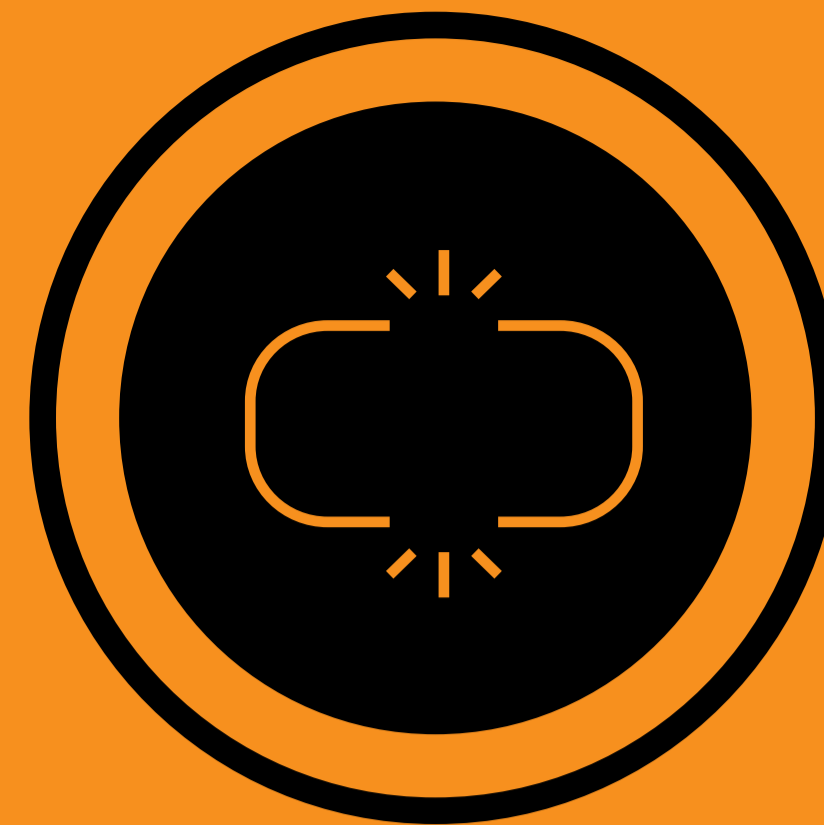
# 03

Notice the word freedom and the imagery of the veil, darkness, and light in the two passages above. How do they help you understand your new identity in Christ?

# 04

Describe the relationship between God’s transformation of individuals and God’s transformation of communities.





# 01

How does thinking of yourself as a “work in progress” make you feel? Impatient? Excited? Why? What encouraging truths can you call to mind when you feel frustrated?

# 02

Think about your new identity in Christ. In what ways are you struggling to be who God made you to be? Do you see any gaps between who God made you to be and who you are right now?

# 03

How does social media impact the way we want others to see us? Do you see a gap between the way you portray yourself online and the way you really are?

# 04

Do you find that social media helps you see yourself the way God made you to be? In what ways does it encourage you? In what ways does it distract or confuse you?

# 05

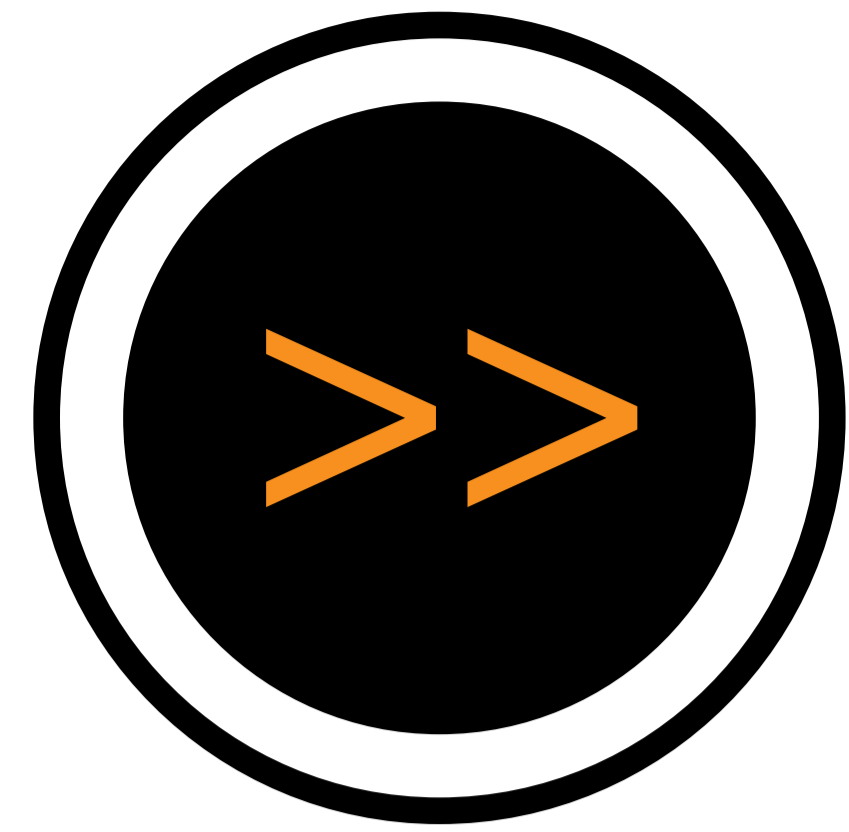
God is at work on both the individual and community level. How can belonging to a community of believers impact you as you grow in your individual identity?



# Q: WHAT IS ADOPTION?

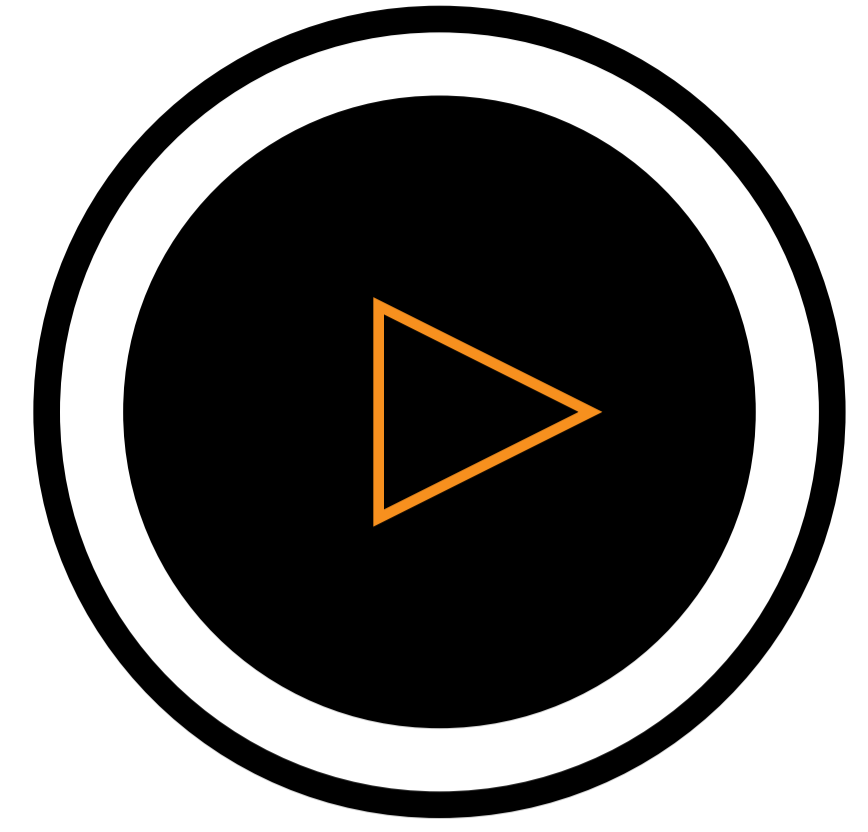
A: Adoption is when God makes us his sons and daughters through faith in Jesus Christ.





- How do you view yourself? Is this view different from who God says you are? If you're struggling with insecurity or shame, take a moment to savor the phrase, "I am a child of God." How does this truth change your perspective of yourself? Today and throughout the week, ask God to help you grasp his love for you and the new identity you have in Christ as a beloved child.
- Think about the way you use social media. Does your time online leave you feeling encouraged or discouraged about who you are? Does it confuse you or bring you clarity? Is it pulling you toward a better understanding of your identity in Christ or not? Ask God to give you wisdom and ask him to transform every aspect of your life, both online and offline.





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