

IS YOU BE YOU ENOUGH?

JESUS ISN'T JUST THE ANSWER.
HE SPARKS THE QUESTIONS
THAT LEAD US TO THE TRUTH.

"Expressive Individualism holds that each person has a unique core and feeling of intuition that should unfold or be expressed if individuality is to be realized."

—ROBERT BELLAH

BE TRUE TO YOURSELF
FIND YOUR INNER-COMPASS
FOLLOW YOUR HEART

NOBODY DEFINES YOU BUT YOU
DON'T LISTEN TO THE CROWD
EXPRESS YOUR AUTHENTIC SELF

The problem isn't the question (WHO AM I?)
but rather the path
we take to find the answer.

1. If I look deep inside my heart,
I'll discover my true self to project
to the world.

2. If I look around, I'll find people
who agree with the real me, and
shut out the haters.

3. If I look up, I'll find spiritual
inspiration and validation for my
choices and my life.

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

JEREMIAH 17:9

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.

1 JOHN 2:15-17

We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way.

COLOSSIANS 1:9-10A

THE TRUTH IS...

I am my Father's child

I make Him proud and
I make Him smile

I was made in the
image of a perfect King

He looks at me and
wouldn't change a thing

Then [Jesus] said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me."

LUKE 9:23

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. He said "Let there be light. Sky. Seas. Land. Gardens. Suns. Moons. Fish. Birds. Wild animals. God saw that it was good.

GENESIS 1:27

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness..."
So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he
created them; male and female he created them.

GENESIS 1:27

What is mankind that you are mindful of them, a son of man that you care for him? You made them a little lower than the angels; you crowned them with glory and honor and put everything under their feet.

HEBREWS 2:6B-8A

"The biblical revelation reminds us that human beings are not self-explanatory. They derive their meaning from outside themselves, from God in whose image they are made....

– JOHN STOTT

We are not autonomous individuals, creating ourselves constantly by the decisions and choices we make. No, we are images, we are reflections. The dignity of our humanity is derivative; it comes from him whose image we bear. We are dependent beings."

– JOHN STOTT

THE TRUTH OF SCRIPTURE OBLITERATES
THE CONCEPT THAT I BELONG TO MYSELF

"I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but you will not be mastered by anything. You say "Food is for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both." **1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-14**

The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. By his power, God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-14

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:17-20

[Jesus said] I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me.

JOHN 10:14

You are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus...

EPHESIANS 1:10

You are predestined to be conformed to the image of [God's] son...

ROMANS 8:29

I AM THE MASTER OF MY FATE
I AM THE CAPTAIN OF MY SOUL.

Instead of looking in, look up.
Instead of looking around, look to the body of Christ.
Instead of expressing yourself, stay faithful to God.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

HEBREWS 12:1-2

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

GOD IS CALLING US TO COMMUNAL DISCIPLESHIP,
NOT EXPRESSIVE INDIVIDUALISM.

If you hold to my teaching you really are my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

JOHN 8:31-32

NOT YOU BE YOU.
YOU BE HIS.