



## WEEK 1

### INTRODUCTION:

In order for Christians to have deep friendships, we must first learn to befriend ourselves by realizing our identity in Christ.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

**Icebreaker:** Describe your childhood best friend and share any funny or interesting stories about him or her.

**READ:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

1. What are some ways the world defines people? How does that differ from how God defines people?
2. In the video, Felix talked about a friend from church who befriended and pursued him. Who befriended / pursued you when you were seeking your faith? Is there someone YOU have befriended / pursued in their walk?
3. Of the three friendships Scott mentioned (digital, transactional & one-dimensional), which one constitutes most of your current friendships? How can you broaden your diversity of friends?
4. Kim shared that she struggled with her identity. What do you struggle to grasp about your identity in Jesus? What lie do you think is the center of that struggle.? Explain in glorious detail!

### MOVING FORWARD:

This week, read and reflect on 2 Corinthians 5:14-21. Take a few moments to pray, each morning, for those people in your life who are struggling with their identity and ask for opportunities to remind them who they are in Christ.

### UNLEASH THE GOSPEL:

What's one practical God is inviting you to change about the way you engage your friendships? How could you put that into practice this week?