

# Discovering Your True Identity

DVD Series & Workbook

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### **AKA**

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#### **AKA Discovering Your True Identity**

Dear Friend,

Thank you for picking up this DVD series and workbook entitled, "AKA."

Can I ask you a personal question? Do you know who you are also known as? In other words, do you know the names given to you by God?

My name happens to be Mark. That's the name my parents gave me. But that's not the name God has ascribed to me. Actually, God has given to me and to you ten primary names as revealed in the Bible.

The importance of us knowing the names by which God calls us can't be overstated!

Some of us have been called hurtful names and even though we don't want to admit it, this has negatively impacted the way we see ourselves.

Listen to what God says:

"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1

Do you know that God has given to you ten good and amazing names?

God wants you to learn these names!

God wants you to begin seeing yourself the way He sees you. God wants you to begin thinking about yourself the way He thinks about you.

If you learn the names God calls you, you will begin to discover your true identity and I promise you, such a discovery is exciting and life changing!

The basic premise for this entire series is that God is the identity giver and the Bible is the identity revealer—as God's Word reveals to us the ten primary names that God calls us.

Your identity is not found in the name given to you by your parents (or by anyone else), it's not found in a title, it's not found in an accomplishment, it's not found in a tragedy you have experienced, it's found in the names given to you by God.

Imagine the difference it will make in your life when you learn your TRUE names. You will then discover your TRUE identity and this will transform the way you see yourself and live your life.

It's my prayer that God will use this series to help you learn your true names and thereby discover your true identity.

Whether you will be listening to this material for personal edification or in a small group setting, I would recommend incorporating the following:

- 1. Read/discuss the introductory questions and pray before you watch a DVD.
- 2. Watch the DVDs in the order in which they are presented.
- 3. Take notes as you go along on what most impacts your life! You will also want to fill in the blanks. (Answers to all fill in the blanks are located at the end of the study).
- 4. Discuss the various discussion questions that are designed to help you understand the name being taught. This study features questions before, during and after the teaching. To discuss questions during Mark's teaching simply hit PAUSE on your DVD player.

Welcome to AKA!

It's my prayer that the Lord will richly bless your life as you learn the ten names given to you by God!

Dr. Mark Teyler

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Saint-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. Do you know who you were named after?
- 2. When was the last time you heard someone say, "I aint no saint and what were they meaning to communicate?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Saint"

Principle:	My true identity is not the name given to me by
my	, it's found in the names given to me by
	!

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43:18-19

"To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints." Romans 1:7

<sup>&</sup>quot;A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1

"To the church of God in Corinth, together with all the saints throughout Achaia." 2 Corinthians 1:1
"All the saints send their greetings." 2 Corinthians 13:13
"To the saints in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus." Ephesians 1:1
"To all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi." Philippians 1:1
1. I have
"To the saints in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus." Ephesians 1:1
"To all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi." Philippians 1:1
Discussion: How does it you that by God's grace you have position—you are a holy one before God and among all the saints?
2. I have
Ephesians 4:11-12
5 ways saints are exhorted to to build up the body of Christ:

(1) Serve by using your spiritual
Ephesians 4:7-8 1 Peter 4:10-11 Romans 12:6-8
(2) Serve by
"Ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for the saints." Ephesians 1:15
(3) Serve by
"With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." Ephesians 6:18
(4) Serve by
"Greet all the saints in Christ Jesus. All the saints send you greetings." Philippians 4:21
(5) Serve by
"There is no need for me to write to you about this service to the saints." 2 Corinthians 9:1
"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve

others." 1 Peter 4:10

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

Discussion: Why do we experience so much
when we choose to serve?
3. I have
(1) I will receive a!
"But the saints of the Most High will receive a kingdom and will possess it forever, yes, for ever and ever." Daniel 7:18
(2) I am constantly being for!
"The Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will." Romans 8:27
(3) I will the world and angels.
"Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? Do you not know that you will judge angels?" 1 Corinthians 6:2-3
(4) I have a glorious
"That you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints." Ephesians 1:18
(5) I have an eternal!
"Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people (saints) and members of God's household." Ephesians 2:19
(6) I am! <b>Page 7</b>

"I pray that you may have power, together with all the saints to grasp how wide and long an high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:16-19 (7) I have received a revealed \_\_\_ ! "This is now disclosed to the saints, to know the mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27 (8) I will see the glorified ! 2 Thessalonians 1.8-10 (9) I will be \_\_\_\_\_\_. "The time has come for judging the dead and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name." Revelation 11:18 (10) I will one day when God justly judges all evil. "I saw that the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore testimony to Jesus." Revelation 17:6 "Rejoice, saints and apostles and prophets! God has judged her for the way she treated you." Revelation 18:20 (11) I will \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus at his Second Coming. Revelation 19:11-16 (12) I always have God's \_\_\_\_\_ with me.

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with God's people (saints). Amen." Revelation 22:21

Discussion:	Of the 12	2 privileges extended to you, which one do	
you find mos	it	?	

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. Do you think it's possible to live with a Jason Borne type of memory loss about your identity as a believer? Why or why not?
- 3. What new thing do you think God is wanting to do in your life through this teaching series?
- 4. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you a saint?
- 5. What is the difference between your practice as a saint and your position as a saint?
- 6. Because we are a saint we have position, purpose and privileges. Which of these three truths has most encouraged you about your identity as a saint.
- 7. Go around the room, call each person saint (first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are a saint. Go for it!
- 8. What gets you most excited about learning the 10 primary names God has given to Christians?
- 9. How do you most need prayer in light of this message?

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Child of God-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. What is one of the greatest memories you have as a child?
- 2. Have you ever struggled with amnesia—temporary memory loss?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch "AKA - Child of God"

Principle: My true identity is not the name given to me by my, it's found in the names given to me by
"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1
Because I am a child of God
1. I have a

"Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husbands will, but born of God." John 1:12-13

"Both the one who makes them holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. He says, I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises." Hebrews 2:11-12

Mark 3:31-34

"All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, who the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things." John 14:24-26

"You are all sons of God though faith in Jesus Christ." Galatians 3:26

"But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights as sons." Galatians 4:4-5

"For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ." Ephesians 1:4-5

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!"1 John 3:1

"We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one." 1 John 5:19

Discussion: What does it mean to you that because you are a child of God you are legally part of God's?
2. I have
(1) I have God's

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him." Psalm 103:13 Luke 15:20-24 (2) I have God's . "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God. And that is what we are!" 1 John 3:1 (3) I have God's \_\_\_\_\_! "Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God." Romans 8:14 (4) I have God's tender . "For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, Abba, Father," Romans 8:15-16 (5) I have God's \_\_\_\_\_\_. Matthew 6:9,11; Matthew 7:7-11 (6) I have God's loving \_\_\_\_\_\_. Hebrews 12:5-11 Discussion: How does this hit you, that because you are God's child you have God's \_\_\_\_\_? 3. I have \_\_\_\_\_ !

"For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name." Ephesians 3:14

"The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, them we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ." Romans 8:16-17

"You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus...If you belong to Christ, then you are heirs according to the promise...Since you are a son, God has made you an heir." Galatians 3:26, 29, 4:7 John 14:1-3

Revelation 7:9-12; 21:1-5

Discussion: What does this mean to you, that you are part of God's \_\_\_\_\_ family?

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. Do you think it's possible to live with spiritual amnesia about your identity as a believer—being a child of God? Why or why not?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being a child of God?
- 4. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His child?
- 5. Because you are a child of God you have a family, favor and forever. Which of these three truths has most encouraged you about your identity as a child of God? Why?
- 6. Go around the room, call each person "(first name) child of God" and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are God's child. Go for it!
- 7. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Sheep-

#### **Questions to discuss before watching the DVD:**

- 1. Have you ever been around sheep?
- 2. How are you most like a sheep?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Sheep"

"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1

Principle: My true identity is not the name given to me by my, it's found in the names given to me by	
Because I am the Lord's sheep	
1. I tend to	

"We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way." Isaiah 53:6

"Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it. But Jonah ran away from the Lord and headed for Tarshish." Jonah 1:2-3

"For a while he stayed in Gerar, and there Abraham said of his wife Sarah, she is my sister." Genesis 20:2

"One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful. She came to him and he slept with her." 2 Samuel 11:2, 4

"Peter declared, 'even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you'.... Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. 'You also were with Jesus of Galilee.' But he denied it, 'I don't know what you're talking about.'"

Matthew 26:35, 69-70

"I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do." Romans 7:15

"Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his people, the sheep of his pasture." Psalm 100:3

"For he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust." Psalm 103:14

Discussion: How do you find yourself, like a sheep, who at times \_\_\_\_\_?

2. I have a shepherd who constantly cares for me!

"Our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep." Hebrews 13:20

10 great ways Jesus CARES for you— as his sheep!

Ezekiel 34:11-12

1. He rescued me and brought me into his!
Isaiah 53: 4-7
"Look, the lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." John 1:29
"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep There shall be one flock and one shepherd." John 10:11, 16
"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls."  1 Peter 2:24-25
2. He is my shepherd.
"The Lord is my shepherd." Psalm 23:1
3. He cares for my many
Psalm 23:1-6
4. He for me.
"I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them."

Matthew 18:12-13
5. He me.
"I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness." Ezekiel 34:12
6. He me.
"I will pasture them on the mountains in Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. I will tend them in a good pasture. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture." Ezekiel 34:13-15
7. He me.
"I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak." Ezekiel 34:16
8. He me.
"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep just as the Father knows me and I know the Father." John 10:14-15
9. He me.
"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." John 10:27
10. He me eternally.
"I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand." John 10:28

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#### AKA - Sheep

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Discussion: What aspect of Jesus' for you are you most grateful for?
3. I need to stay to the shepherd and the flock!
"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life to the full. I am the good shepherd I have other sheep who are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock (church) and one shepherd (Jesus)." John 10: 10, 16
"Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock which the Holy Spirithas made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood." Acts 20:28
"For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls." 1 Peter 2:25
Discussion: Why is it to stay close to the shepherd and to the flock?

#### **Questions to discuss after the lesson:**

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His sheep?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His sheep?

- 4. Because you are the Lord's sheep you tend to wander, you have a shepherd who cares for you and you need to stay close to the shepherd (Jesus) and to the flock (church). Which of these three truths has most encouraged you about your identity as a sheep of the Lord? Why?
- 5. Go around the room, call each person "(first name) sheep of the Lord" and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's sheep. Go for it!
- 6. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Beloved-

#### **Questions to discuss before watching the DVD:**

- 1. Can you share about the first time you had "feelings of love" or "puppy love" for someone else?
- 2. Where does this kind of love come from?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Beloved"

"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1

Principle:	My true identity is not the name given to me by my	
	, it's found in the names given to me by	!

"About Benjamin he said: Let the beloved of the Lord rest secure in him, for he shields him all day long and the one the Lord loves rests between his shoulders." Deuteronomy 33:12

"Then David comforted his wife Bathsheba, and he went to her and lay with her. She gave birth to a son, and they named him Solomon. The Lord loved him; and because the Lord loved him, he sent word through Nathan the prophet to name him Jedidiah." 2 Samuel 12:24-25

"To those who have been called, who are loved by God (the beloved of God) the Father and kept by Jesus Christ." Jude 1 "I will call them my people who are not my people; and I will call her my loved one (beloved) who is not my loved one." Romans 9:25 1. I have God's love! "Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends..." 2 Corinthians 7:1 "Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you." 2 Peter 1:1 "Dear friends, now we are children of God." 1 John 3:2 "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door. I will come in and eat with him and he with me." Revelation 3:20 "The Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with a friend." Exodus 33:11 "We who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever increasing glory, which

Discussion: How does it hit you, that because you are God's beloved you have God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ love?

comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:18

2.	I have	God's	love

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

Song of Songs 1:15, 2:14, 4: 8, 4:9, 6:4-5 2:4, 2:16

Hosea 1:2-9, 3:1-3, 11:1-2, 7-8

Discussion: How does it r	move you, that because you are God's
beloved you have God's	love?

3. I have God's \_\_\_\_\_ love.

"I have loved you with an everlasting love." Jeremiah 31:3

Romans 8:35-38

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!" 1 John 3:1

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge." Eph 3:16-18

"I have loved you with an everlasting love." Jeremiah 31:3

Discussion: How does it impact you that because you are God's beloved, God loves you with an \_\_\_\_\_\_ love?

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Beloved?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Beloved?
- 4. Because you are the Lord's Beloved you have God's friendship love, romantic love and unending love. Which of these three truths most encourages you about your identity as the Lord's Beloved and why?
- 5. Go around the room, call each person "(first name) Beloved of the Lord" and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Beloved. Go for it!
- 6. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Disciple-

Questions to discuss before watching the DVD
1. Have you had the privilege of being discipled by someone?
2. Who is your favorite disciple in the Bible and why?
Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.
Watch the DVD "AKA - Disciple"
"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1
Principle: My true identity is not the name given to me by my!
1. I am
Mark 1:16-20; 2:13-14
"For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight." Ephesians 1:4
"The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch." Acts 11:26
Discussion: When did you receive the to be Jesus' disciple?

2. I'm a \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them" Matthew 5:1; 11:1		
"When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them." Luke 6:13		
"After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him." Luke 10:1		
"In those days Peter stood up among the believers, a group numbering a hundred and twenty." Acts 1:15		
"The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly." Acts 6:		
"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 28:19		
10 ways disciples learn:		
• By		
John 1:35-39		
• By		
"He said to his disciples, listen carefully to what I'm about to tell you." Luke 9:43-44		
• By		
Mark 8:14-16		
• By		

"The disciples came to him and asked, 'Why do you speak to the people in parables?" Matthew 13:10

"His disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" Mark 9:28

"His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" John 9:2

• By \_\_\_\_\_

"His disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray..." Luke 11:1

"Lord, if it's you,' Peter replied, 'tell me to come to you on the water." Matthew 14:28

• By \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"When he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything." Mark 4:34

"Because so many people were coming and going...he said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." Mark 6:30-31

• By \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"He said to his disciples, 'Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith." Mark 4:40

"He said to them, 'Do you still not understand?" Mark 8:21

"When the disciples saw this, they asked, 'Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?' But Jesus turned and rebuked them." Luke 9:55 "The disciples did not understand any of this." Luke 18:34 "'Teacher', said John, 'We saw a man driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.' 'Do not stop him,' Jesus said." Mark 9:38 Mark 10:13-14 "Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Matthew 16:16 "Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour?" Mark 14:37 "Then all the disciples disserted him and fled." Matthew 26:56 "As Simon Peter stood warming himself, he was asked, 'You are not one of his disciples are you?' He denied it saying, 'I am not.'" John 18:25 Discussion: How do you see yourself \_\_\_\_\_ as Jesus' disciple?

3. I am a
6 ways disciples follow:
• By
"Come, follow meat once they left their nets and followed Jesus." Mark 1:17-18
• By
"So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them." Matthew 26:19
• By
Luke 10:1-7
"Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere." Mark 16:20
• By
Luke 9:23-24
Luke 14:25-27, 33
• By
Luke 10:1, 17

"The whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen." Luke 19:37		
"And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit." Acts 13:52		
• By		
Luke 18: 28-30		
Discussion: How do you see yourself Jesus?		
4. I am a		
"A student is not above his teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like his teacher." Luke 6:40		
"Brothers, what shall we do?" Acts 2:37		
"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." James 1:22		
"When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus." Acts 4:13		
Discussion: How do you see yourself more like Jesus as his disciple?		
5. I am a		
"In those days when the number of disciples was increasing." Acts 6:1		

Matthew 28:19-20
4 ways to multiply disciples:
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Discussion: How are you seeing yourself as a of disciples?

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Disciple?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Disciple?
- 4. Because you are the Lord's Disciple you are called, you are a learner, a follower, a becomer and a multiplier. Which of these five truths most encourages you and challenges about your identity as the Lord's Disciple and why?

- 5. Go around the room, call each person Disciple "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Disciple. Go for it!
- 6. How does it encourage you that after Jesus talked about you being His disciple he said, "And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:20b
- 7. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

## AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Servant-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. How would you define greatness?
- 2. Who is one of the best examples of being a servant that you know and why?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Servant"

Principle: My true identity is not t	the name given to me by my names given to me by!
"A good name is more desirable to is better than silver or gold." Prov	than great riches; to be esteemed verbs 22:1
1. I have been	by God to serve God.
"They are your servants and your your great strength and your mig	r people, whom you redeemed by hty hand." Nehemiah 1:10
"And he died for all, that those whether themselves but for him who died 2 Corinthians 5:15	

"To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father." Revelation 1:6

Discussion: How are you learning to yourself as purchased by God to be his servant?
2. The thing I can do on earth is to serve Godby serving
Mark 10:42-45
Mark 9:33-35
"The greatest among you will be your servant." Matthew 23:11
"Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus" Romans 1:1
"James, a servant of God" James 1:1
"Peter, a servant of Jesus Christ" 2 Peter 1:1
"Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ" Jude 1
"This, then, is how you out to regard us: as servants of Christ."  1 Corinthians 4:1
"For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake." 2 Corinthians 4:5

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"The measure of a man is not how many servants he has, but how

many men he serves." D.L. Moody

How can I grow in my serves others?		as a servant of God who
Shift 1: Cultivate a Christ-like		:over pride.
Philippians 2:5-8		
Philippians 2:3-4		
Shift 2: Commit to a Christ-lik	e	: God's will over will.
"Not my will, but yours be do	ne." Luke 2	22:42
"I always do what pleases hir	n." John 8:2	29
"For when David had served he fell asleep." Acts 13:36	Gods' purpo	ose in his own generation,
Shift 3: Choose a Christ-like	:	over being served.
"For even the Son of Man did and to give his life a ransom		
"I have set for you an example for you." John 13:15	e that you s	should do as I have done
Discussion: How are you leathing you can do on earth is t	•	
3. I will be	like crazy	y when I get to heaven!

#### Philippians 2:5-11

"Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven..."

Matthew 5:12

"Your father who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."

Matthew 6:6

"If anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward." Matthew 10:42

"For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done." Matthew 16:27

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven." Luke 6:23

"You know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do." Ephesians 6:8

"He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward." Hebrews 11:26

"The time has come for judging the dead and for rewarding your servants." Revelation 11:18

"Look, I'm coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done." Revelation 22:12

"Well done, good and faithful servant! Come and share your master's happiness!" Matthew 25:21

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Discussion:	How are you lear	ning to see yo	urself as	a servar	nt who
will be rewar	ded like	_ in heaven fo	r serving	God on	earth?

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Servant?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Servant?
- 4. Because you are the Lord's Servant you have been purchased, the greatest thing you can do on earth is to serve God by serving others and you will be rewarded like crazy in heaven for serving the Lord on earth. Which of these three truths most encourages you and challenges about your identity as the Lord's Servant and why?
- 5. Go around the room, call each person Servant "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Servant. Go for it!
- 6. How does it hit you that the only time Jesus spoke about himself being an example was when he talked to us about being a servant?
- 7. What now is your definition of greatness?
- 8. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

# AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Steward-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. When was the last time you managed something or someone?
- 2. Do you know someone who you think is a great manager? Why?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Steward"

Principle: My true identity is not the nar, it's found in the names	me given to me by my given to me by!
"A good name is more desirable than gr is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 2	
1. I have been entrusted to	what God has given to me
"Joseph found favor in his eyes and bed put him in charge of his household, and everything he owned." Genesis 39:4	·

"Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." 1 Chronicles 29:12

"For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it." 1 Timothy 6:7

Discussion: How are y entrusted to		
2. I have been called to me.	o manage	what God has given
6 key areas:		
(1) I'm to wisely mana	ge my	
•	to use it wisely.	
"Teach us to number o wisdom." Psalm 90:12		at we may gain a heart of
•	_ it wisely.	
-	•	as unwise but as wise, ecause the days are evil."
• Spend it like _		
"Didn't you know I had Luke 2:29	to be about my F	ather's business?"
"It is finished!" John 19	9:30	
"I have brought you glogave me to do." John		mpleting the work you
(2) I'm to wisely manaç	ge my Talents (Git	fts).

• it!
"Each one should use whatever gift he has to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides."  1 Peter 4:10-11
(3) I'm to wisely manage my
Invest it in kingdom.
Matthew 25:14-28
Luke 16:1-9
• it.
"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." Malachi 3:10
• Get and stay out of
"Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another." Romans 13:8
(4) I'm to wisely manage my
• Be  "Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:6

• Be		
•	ralk come out of your mouths, but others up according to their needs, o listen."	
(5) I'm to wisely manage my _		
•them.		
Matthew 22:37-38		
(6) I'm to wisely manage my		
Do your work as unto	the	
Ephesians 6:5-8		
Discussion: How are you manages what God has entrus	as a steward who wisely sted to your care?	
3. I will be rewarded greatly for 1 Corinthians 4:1-2	or being a manager.	
Matthew 25:21		
Matthew 24:45-47		
Revelation 11:15, 18; 14:13; 22	2:3b-5.	
Discussion: In what ways may as his faithful steward?	God may be calling you to	

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Steward?
- 3. Who has taught you the most about being a wise and faithful steward?
- 4. What did you learn from the Parable of the Pearl that Pastor Mark read?
- 5. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Steward?
- 6. Because you are the Lord's Steward you have been entrusted to manage what God has given you, you have been called to manage wisely what God has given to you and you will be rewarded greatly for being a faithful manager. Which of these three truths most encourages you and challenges you about your identity as the Lord's Steward and why?
- 7. Go around the room, call each person Steward "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Steward. Go for it!
- 8. What does it mean in Matthew 25:21 that the reward for faithful and wise stewardship is greater stewardship in heaven? What do you think this will look like?
- 9. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

# AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Ambassador-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. Has there ever been a time you were called to represent someone else?
- 2. What is an ambassador and have you ever met one?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Ambassador"

Principle: My true identity is not the, it's found in the n	name given to me by my ames given to me by
"A good name is more desirable that is better than silver or gold." Proverb	•
1. I am God's official	in a foreign country.
"Dear friends, I urge you as aliens a 1 Peter 2:11	nd strangers in the world"
"But our citizenship is in heaven." P	hilippians 3:20a

#### 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

"I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare the gospel fearlessly, as I should." Ephesians 6:20

Discussion: How have youAmbassador?	to see yourself as God's	
I am entrusted with a specific on earth.	to give away while	
2 Corinthians 5:17-20		
"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1		
"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."  John 3:16		
"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21		
"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23		
"For Christ died for sins once for all, the teous, to bring you to God." 1 Peter 3:1	-	
Discussion: Can you share some	•	

3. I am uniquelyon earth!	_ to share God's message while	
2 Corinthians 5:18-20		
Jeremiah 1:4-8; 5:14		
"But you will receive power when the and you will be my witnesses in Jer Samaria, and to the ends of the ear	rusalem, and in a Judea and	
"I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes." Romans 1:16		
"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20		
Discussion: Can you share a enced God's power while sharing the		

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Ambassador?

- 3. Who has taught you the most about being an ambassador?
- 4. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His ambassador?
- 5. Because you are the Lord's Ambassador you are God's official representative in a foreign country, you are entrusted with the message of reconciliation to give away while on earth and you are uniquely empowered by God to share God's message of reconciliation while on earth. Which of these three truths most encourages you and challenges about your identity as the Lord's Steward and why?
- 6. Go around the room, call each person Ambassador "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Ambassador. Go for it!
- 7. Have you ever used the Steps To Peace With God to share the message of reconciliation? Do you believe you could use this tool? Or do you have a better tool to use to communicate the message?
- 8. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

# AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Masterpiece-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. What has been the greatest masterpiece you have ever laid your eyes upon?
- 2. What is the most masterpiece like thing you have ever created?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Masterpiece"

, it's found in the names given to me by!
"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1
1. I have a
Ephesians 2:8-10
Psalm 139:13-18
"Your hands shaped me and made me." Job 10:8
"For we are God's workmanship." Ephesians 2:10a

### Philippians 1:3-6

Discussion: When did you masterworking in your life?	to experience God's
2. I am	
"We are the clay, you are the po	otter." Isaiah 64:8 (Israel)
• On the	God is making me like!
"For those God foreknew he als the likeness of his Son." Roman	so predestined to be conformed to as 8:29
"But the fruit of the Spirit is love goodness, faithfulness, gentlen Galatians 5:22-23	e, joy, peace, patience, kindness, ess and self-control."
• On the	Sod is making me like!
	th with the Holy Spirit and power, d and healing all who were under the d was with him." Acts 10:38
"Did you not know I had to be a Luke 2:49	bout my Father's business?"
"It is finished." John 19:30	
"I have brought you glory on eagave me to do." John 17:4	arth by completing the work you

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

Discussion: How is God mation in your life?	his masterwork transfor-
3. I will one day	
"Being confident of this, that he who begacarry it on to completion until the day of C Philippians 1:6	•
"Fix your eyes on Jesus, the author and phebrews 12:2	perfecter of our faith."
"Dear friends, now we are children of Go not yet been make known. But we know shall be like him, for we shall see him as	that when he appears, we
Philippians 2:12-13	
"Come, follow me and I will make you fish	hers of men." Mark 1:17

"Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth." John 17:17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

"Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be

changed---in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable and we will be changed." 1 Corinthians 15:51

Discussion: What most	you about being God's
Masterpiece?	

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson:

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Masterpiece?
- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Masterpiece?
- 4. Because you are the Lord's Masterpiece you have a beginning where God began his work in you, you have a continuing—where God is continuing to shape your Christ-like character on the inside and your Christ-like good works on the outside and God will one day finish what God has begun in you. Which of these three truths most encourages you and challenges about your identity as the Lord's Masterpiece and why?
- 5. Go around the room, call each person Masterpiece "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Masterpiece. Go for it!
- 6. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

# AKA - Discovering Your True Identity -Overcomer-

#### Questions to discuss before watching the DVD

- 1. What is the greatest victory you have ever witnessed?
- 2. When did you experience a great victory?

Have someone read Proverbs 22:1 and open in prayer.

#### Watch the DVD "AKA - Overcomer"

1 Corinthians 15:54-57

Principle: My true identity is not the name given to me by my!
"A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold." Proverbs 22:1
"Take heart! I have overcome the world!" John 16:33
"In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us." Romans 8:37
1. I have eternal!
Romans 8:35-39

#### John 3:16

Discussion: What do you find most about being an overcomer who has eternal security?	
2. I have present!	
(1) I have power to overcome the!	
"For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4	
(2) I have power to overcome false!	
"You dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one in you is greater than the one who is in the world." 1 John 4:4 (Baloney detector)	
(3) I have power to overcome	
"I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one."  1 John 2:14b	
"I have given you authority to overcome all the power of the enemy." Luke 10:19	
(4) I have power to overcome	
"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21	

Discussion: How have youin being an overcomer?	God's present power	
3. I have future!		
Revelation 2-3, 21		
(1) The gift of	in its fullness!	
Revelation 2:7b		
"In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." Genesis 2:9		
"The Lord God said, the man must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever, so he drove the man out and placed a cherubim to guard the way to the tree of life." Genesis 3:22-24		
"On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations." Revelation 22:2		
(2) The gift of	_ from the second death!	
"Each person was judged according to what he had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death." Revelation 20:13-14		
(3) The gift of a new	!	
Revelation 2:17b		

(4) The gift of with Jesus!
Revelation 2:26-28
"They will reign forever and ever." Revelation 22:5
(5) The gift of!
Revelation 3:5
(6) The gift of!
Revelation 3:12-13
(7) The gift of ruling with Jesus in his intended!
Revelation 3:21
(8) The gift of in its entirety!
Revelation 21:7
Discussion: What future gift coming your way most you?

#### Questions to discuss after the lesson

- 1. What most impacted you from the teaching?
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God calls you His Overcomer?

- 3. What new thing is God wanting to teach you about you being His Overcomer?
- 4. Because you are the Lord's Overcomer you have eternal security, present power and future gifts. Which of these three truths most encourages you and challenges about your identity as the Lord's Overcomer and why?
- 5. Go around the room, call each person Overcomer "(first name) and then encourage them with one thing that is true about their life because they are the Lord's Overcomer. Go for it!
- 6. Where do you most need prayer in light of this message?

### **Answer Key**

### ANSWER KEY FOR FILL IN THE BLANKS

**AKA-Saint:** parent; God; position; impact; purpose; serve; gifts; loving; praying; greeting; supporting; blessing; privilege; kingdom; prayed; judge; inheritance; family; loved; mystery; Jesus; rewarded; rejoice; be; grace; amazing

**AKA-Child of God:** parents; God; family; family; favor; compassion; love; spirit; acceptance; generosity; discipline; favor; forever; forever

**AKA-Sheep:** parent; God; wander; wanders; shepherd; flock; personal; needs; searches; rescues; pastures; strengthens; knows; leads; secures; care; close; important

**AKA-Beloved:** parents; God; friendship; friendship; romantic; unending; unending

**AKA-Disciple:** parents; God; called; call; learner; watching; listening; discussing; questioning; requesting; retreating; struggling; trying; answering; failing; learning; follower; leaving; doing; going; sacrificing; rejoicing; reigning; following; becomer; becoming; multiplier; go; baptize; teach; obey; multiplier

**AKA-Servant:** parents; God; purchased; see; greatest; others; identity; attitude; humility; surrender; my; life; serving; greatest; rewarded; crazy

**AKA-Steward:** parents; God; manage; manage; wisely; time; pray; spend; Jesus; use; treasure; God's; tithe; debt; speech; gracious; edifying; relationships; love; work; Lord; growing; faithful; grow

**AKA-Ambassador:** parents; God; representative; begun; message; stories; empowered; story

**AKA-Masterpiece:** parents; God; beginning; begin; continuing; inside; Jesus; outside; Jesus; continuing; finish; amazes

**AKA-Overcomer:** parents; God; security; amazing; power; world; teaching; Satan; evil; experience; gifts; eternal life; protection; identity; ruling; belonging; citizenship; place; heaven; amazes



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