

WEEK 1

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

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THIS SERIES

Do you ever feel like you're putting on a show? Like the person people think you are doesn't line up with who you really are? Or maybe you've been known to put on different personas for different situations—personas that help you fit in with certain crowds, even if that persona doesn't reflect who you really want to be. Sound familiar? Of course it does. We can all relate because, at times, we all struggle with the same big questions: "Who am I? Who loves me? Why am I here?" In this 4-week series on identity, you'll help students find answers to those questions as they discover that, in Jesus, **they are loved, they are forgiven, they have purpose, and they belong.**

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THE BIG IDEA

You are loved.

THE BIBLE

Genesis 1:27-31; Romans 5:6-8, 6:6, 15:7
John 1:12

- **In what way does your life feel a little bit like a circus right now?**
- **Have you ever let someone's negative opinion of you cause you to think less of yourself? What happened?**
- **Has someone's positive opinion of you ever caused you to think better of yourself? What happened?**
- **When you hear the words, "You are loved," how do you react?**
- **Read Romans 6:6, Romans 15:7, and John 1:12. In each of these passages, what does God say you are?**
- **Finish the sentence: "Because God says I am ____, I will ____." Create an "I will" statement for each of the "God says I am" words or phrases from the Scripture you read today. Discuss each one.**
- **Which of these "I will" statements is the most difficult for you? How can we help?**