**Scripture References for Sermon “Identity Crises”**

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**Who is God?**

**Isaiah 42:5**

 5Yahweh El created the heavens and stretched them out. He shaped the earth and all that comes from it. He gave life to the people who are on it and breath to those who walk on it.

**Deuteronomy 4:23-24**

23 Be careful that you don’t forget the promise[a] that Yahweh your Elohim made to you. Don’t make your own carved idols or statues that represent anything Yahweh your Elohim has forbidden. 24 Yahweh your Elohim is Esh Oklah, El Kanna.

**Song of Solomon 8:6**

6 Wear me as a signet ring on your heart,

 as a ring on your hand.

 Love is as overpowering as death.

 Devotion is as unyielding as the grave.

 Love’s flames are flames of fire,

 flames that come from Yah.

**Psalm 5:12**

12 You bless righteous people, O Yahweh.

 Like a large shield, you surround them with your favor.

**Proverbs 14:32**

32 A wicked person is thrown down by his own wrongdoing,

 but even in his death a righteous person has a refuge.

**Proverbs 18:10**

10 The name of Yahweh is Migdal-Oz.

 A righteous person runs to it and is safe.

**Psalm 33:18**

18 Yahweh’s eyes are on those who fear him,

 on those who wait with hope for his mercy

**Isaiah 30:18**

18 Yahweh is waiting to be kind to you.

 He rises to have compassion on you.

 Yahweh is an Elohim of justice.

 Blessed are all those who wait for him.

**Psalm 96:12-13**

12 Let the fields and everything in them rejoice.

 Then all the trees in the forest will sing joyfully

13 in Yahweh’s presence because he is coming.

 He is coming to judge the earth.

 He will judge the world with righteousness

 and its people with his truth

**Matthew 6:31-32**

31 “Don’t ever worry and say, ‘What are we going to eat?’ or ‘What are we going to drink?’ or ‘What are we going to wear?’ 32 Everyone is concerned about these things, and your heavenly Father certainly knows you need all of them.

**2 Corinthians 6:18**

18 The Lord Almighty says, “I will be your Father,

 and you will be my sons and daughters.”

**Psalm 103:13-14**

13 As a father has compassion for his children,

 so Yahweh has compassion for those who fear him.

14 He certainly knows what we are made of.

 He bears in mind that we are dust.

**Who is Jesus?**

**John 15:15**

15 I don’t call you servants anymore, because a servant doesn’t know what his master is doing. But I’ve called you friends because I’ve made known to you everything that I’ve heard from my Father.

**Psalm 25:4-5**

4 Make your ways known to me, O Yahweh,

 and teach me your paths.

5 Lead me in your truth and teach me

 because you are Elohim, my savior.

 I wait all day long for you.

**John 8:12**

Jesus Speaks with the Pharisees about His Father

12 Yeshua spoke to the Pharisees again. He said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have a life filled with light and will never live in the dark.”

**Psalm 139:11-12**

11 If I say, “Let the darkness hide me

 and let the light around me turn into night,”

12 even the darkness is not too dark for you.

 Night is as bright as day.

 Darkness and light are the same to you.

**John 1:14**

14 The Word became human and lived among us. We saw his glory. It was the glory that the Father shares with his only Son, a glory full of kindness[a] and truth.

**Hebrews 4:12**

12 God’s word is living and active. It is sharper than any two-edged sword and cuts as deep as the place where soul and spirit meet, the place where joints and marrow meet. God’s word judges a person’s thoughts and intentions.

**Who am I?**

**James 3:2**

2 All of us make a lot of mistakes. If someone doesn’t make any mistakes when he speaks, he would be perfect. He would be able to control everything he does.

**1 John 3:1-2**

3 Consider this: The Father has given us his love. He loves us so much that we are actually called God’s dear children. And that’s what we are. For this reason the world doesn’t recognize us, and it didn’t recognize him either. 2 Dear friends, now we are God’s children. What we will be isn’t completely clear yet. We do know that when Christ appears we will be like him because we will see him as he is.

**1 Corinthians 12:4-11**

4 There are different spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. 5 There are different ways of serving, and yet the same Lord is served. 6 There are different types of work to do, but the same God produces every gift in every person.

7 The evidence of the Spirit’s presence is given to each person for the common good of everyone. 8 The Spirit gives one person the ability to speak with wisdom. The same Spirit gives another person the ability to speak with knowledge. 9 To another person the same Spirit gives courageous faith. To another person the same Spirit gives the ability to heal. 10 Another can work miracles. Another can speak what God has revealed. Another can tell the difference between spirits. Another can speak in different kinds of languages. Another can interpret languages. 11 There is only one Spirit who does all these things by giving what God wants to give to each person.

**How Does This Reconcile?**

**Romans 6:1-7**

No Longer Slaves to Sin, but God’s Servants

6 What should we say then? Should we continue to sin so that God’s kindness[a] will increase? 2 That’s unthinkable! As far as sin is concerned, we have died. So how can we still live under sin’s influence?

3 Don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Yeshua were baptized into his death? 4 When we were baptized into his death, we were placed into the tomb with him. As Christ was brought back from death to life by the glorious power of the Father, so we, too, should live a new kind of life. 5 If we’ve become united with him in a death like his, certainly we will also be united with him when we come back to life as he did. 6 We know that the person we used to be was crucified with him to put an end to sin in our bodies. Because of this we are no longer slaves to sin. 7 The person who has died has been freed from sin.

**2 Peter 1:3-9**

3God’s divine power has given us everything we need for life and for godliness. This power was given to us through knowledge of the one who called us by his own glory and integrity. 4Through his glory and integrity he has given us his promises that are of the highest value. Through these promises you will share in the divine nature because you have escaped the corruption that sinful desires cause in the world.5Because of this, make every effort to add integrity to your faith; and to integrity add knowledge; 6to knowledge add self-control; to self-control add endurance; to endurance add godliness; 7to godliness add Christian affection; and to Christian affection add love. 8If you have these qualities and they are increasing, it demonstrates that your knowledge about our Lord Yeshua Christ is living and productive. 9If these qualities aren’t present in your life, you’re shortsighted and have forgotten that you were cleansed from your past sins.

**1 Peter 1:6-9**

6 You are extremely happy about these things, even though you have to suffer different kinds of trouble for a little while now. 7 The purpose of these troubles is to test your faith as fire tests how genuine gold is. Your faith is more precious than gold, and by passing the test, it gives praise, glory, and honor to God. This will happen when Yeshua Christ appears again.

8 Although you have never seen Christ, you love him. You don’t see him now, but you believe in him. You are extremely happy with joy and praise that can hardly be expressed in words 9 as you obtain the salvation that is the goal of your faith.

**2 John 6**

6 Love means that we live by doing what he commands. We were commanded to live in love, and you have heard this from the beginning.

**1 John 4:8-10**

8 The person who doesn’t love doesn’t know God, because God is love. 9 God has shown us his love by sending his only Son into the world so that we could have life through him. 10 This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the payment for our sins.

**1 John 4:17-18**

17 God’s love has reached its goal in us. So we look ahead with confidence to the day of judgment. While we are in this world, we are exactly like him with regard to love. 18 No fear exists where his love is. Rather, perfect love gets rid of fear, because fear involves punishment. The person who lives in fear doesn’t have perfect love.