



**Key Scripture:**

Psalm 1:1 NIV

Blessed is the one who obeys the law of the Lord.

He doesn't follow the advice of evil people.

**He doesn't make a habit of doing what sinners do.**

He doesn't join those who make fun of the Lord and His law.

**Unlocking Identity**

Matthew 16:16-19 Message

16 Simon Peter said, "**You're the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of the living God.**"

17 Jesus came back, "**God bless you, Simon, son of Jonah!**

You didn't get that answer out of books or from teachers.

My Father in heaven, **God himself, let you in on this secret of who I really am.**

18 And now **I'm going to tell you who you are, really are.** You are Peter, a rock.

This is the rock on which I will put together my church, a church so expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out.

19 "And that's not all. You will have complete and free access to God's kingdom, **keys to open any and every door:** no more barriers between heaven and earth, earth and heaven. A yes on earth is yes in heaven. A no on earth is no in heaven."

**Identity Theft**

Matthew 16:21-23 NLT

21 From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly...

He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead.

22 But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things.

"Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!"

23 Jesus turned to Peter and said, "**Get away from me, Satan!** You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's."

**Three Levels In Which Change Occurs**

- ✓ **Results are (what) you get.**
- ✓ **Systems are (how) you do it.**
- ✓ **Identity is about (who) you are and become.**

**Identity: (Latin) essentitas: being + identidem: repeatedly**

**Identity: "repeated beingness"**

**You are what you repeat.**

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# Habits

## Unlocking Your Identity

### Open the Door to the Person You Want To Be...

#### 1. **Belong...healthy life-long relationship.**

1 Corinthians 15:33 NKJV

Do not be deceived: "**Evil company corrupts good habits.**"

Hebrews 10:25 NIV

Let us not give up meeting together, as **some are in the habit of doing**, but let us encourage one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

#### 2. **Believe...In Jesus and leave your dead-end habits.**

John 8:23-24 Message

23 Jesus said, "You're tied down to the mundane; I'm in touch with what is beyond your horizons. **You live in terms of what you see and touch. I'm living on other terms.** 24 I told you that you were missing God in all this. You're at a dead end.

**If you won't believe I am who I say I am**, you're at the dead end of sins.

You're missing God in your lives."

Mark 1:15 NLT

"The time promised by God has come at last!" he announced.

"The Kingdom of God is near! **Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!**"

#### 3. **Become...Come to Jesus to become a new person.**

John 1:12-13 NASU

12 But **as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name**, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT

This means that **anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person.**

The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

**Who do you want to become?** \_\_\_\_\_

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