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## Week 5: Living for More

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Big Idea: Our identity doesn't just give us a standing with God, it gives us a purpose from God. (2 Corinthians 5)

### IDENTITY ACTIVITY (10-15 min)

**Step 1:** Give a small piece of paper and a pen or pencil to everyone in the group.

**Step 2:** Ask them to answer this week's question by writing one or two sentences on the piece of paper. Do not have them write their names on the paper... it's a secret. **"People think I'm \_\_\_\_\_ but actually I'm \_\_\_\_\_"**

**Step 3:** Collect all the responses.

**Step 4:** Read responses aloud. Ask people to guess after you read each one who they think might have written it.

*Suggestions:*

\*If you have a new group, nametags are helpful.

\*This should be fun...try voting if more than one person is nominated for a response.

WATCH "Misnomer Video – Week 5"

READ 2 Corinthians 5: 16 – 21

- What about today's reading stands out to you?
- What does it mean to have the "The ministry of reconciliation" (vs. 18)? Who has that ministry?
- According to v19 what is God's plan ultimate plan? What role do we play in that?
- What does it mean to be an ambassador? What is the difference between ambassador, manager, and owner?

## GETTING PRACTICAL (20-30 min)

1. The “good life” is our ideal vision of life. It is the things we strive for, look forward to and hope to reach.
  - a. What are some stereotypes of the “good life”?
  - b. How might our identity impact what we think of the “good life”?
2. How does identity impact our daily living? How does it impact:
  - a. Our parenting
  - b. Marriage/Singleness
  - c. Work/School
  - d. Family Relationships
  - e. Relationships with neighbors and friends?
3. What makes a good ambassador?
4. How long would someone have to know you to start associating you with Jesus? If they only knew you at work, would they associate you with Jesus? How about from your social media? How about at the sports field? You get the point.
5. In what ways would you like to be a better ambassador of Christ? How can you turn that desire into a reality in your life?

**Take it home:** This week write down one or two things that have impacted you in this series. Reflect on those things over the week. Look up scripture that is associated with this new way of thinking or living. Meditate on that scripture. Store it in your heart and live out your new identity in every part of your life, every day of your life.