

D.N.A., Jesus in me (Part 1)
“I Am a Child of God”
(John 1:12)

Introduction: As most of us know, D.N.A. testing has become a very popular science. The purpose of D.N.A. testing is to find out who we are. A person's D.N.A. provides the basis of every aspect of a person's genetic make-up (including ancestry). In an Australian court case where D.N.A. tested samples were used as evidence, the jury was told the chance of matching DNA evidence to any other suspect was one in forty-three trillion.

In this sermon series “DNA, Jesus in me,” we want to do biblical testing to come up with the results of who we are in Christ! Over the next seven weeks, we want to reveal those test results so that when we say: “Just be Jesus” We not only know, who we are but, we'll know what it means!

It is our aim through this series to discover our true identity so that we will not lose sight of who we are destined to be “In Christ.”

The DNA of a child of God is...

I. I have received Christ: (vv. 11, 12)

A. The presentation for us to receive Christ –

B. The proof we have received Christ –

C. The path to receiving Christ - "To receive him," here, means to "believe" on him.

II. I am accepted in Christ:

Some of the deepest wounds we have in our life come from times of rejection.

A. We are chosen by God – (Eph 1:4)

B. He made us acceptable in Jesus (Titus 3:6b-7)

III. I am valuable in Christ: There are two primary things that give a thing its value...

A. Who owns it – Isa 43:4

a. When God is your Father,

b. God is the perfect Father, and He takes care of us perfectly!
(Luke 12:24)

B. What someone is willing to pay for it – (Jn. 3:16)

IV. I am eternally loved and kept in Christ: (Heb 2:11)

Some people come from broken homes; they are ashamed of their families and do their best to ignore or deny them... Not Jesus and not toward us...

A. Why isn't He ashamed?

B. There are two things we need to know about God's love for His family.

1. It is unconditional love – (Rom. 5:8)

2. It is unending love – (Jer 31:3)

(1 John 4:16; Ps 100:5)

Conclusion: It is our enemy the devil's goal to keep us from discovering our true identity “in Christ”! The last thing he wants you to know is who you are in Christ so that we will never discover what we are destined to be “In Christ.”

But, this is my DNA! This is who I am with Jesus in me!

And to live this out and share it with others is what means to be Jesus to others!