

WHAT IS YOUR SPIRITUAL IDENTITY?

Part 3
11/23/19

- * Today -- I have the opportunity to give a sermon -- which will be the conclusion of a series I began (on 11/9 and 11/16)
- * Title -- What is Your Spiritual Identity? -- Part 3
- * Purpose -- I believe that identifying your spiritual identity can help you in your everyday walk with God

Part 1	Part 2	Part 3
Christian	Disciple	Children of God
Believer	Brethren	
Saint	Elect	
	Firstfruit	

	* Church of God
	* Not based upon genealogy or nationality
1 Cor. 10:32	no offense -- Jews, Greeks or Church of God

	* Bible recognizes genealogy and nationality
	* Abraham's seed
Acts 3:25	in Abraham's seed -- all families blessed
Rom. 4:13,16-18	seed of Abraham -- heir of the world -- through the law and faith
	* Bible warns against placing the wrong emphasis upon genealogy and nationality
Matt. 3:9	some claimed -- we have Abraham as our father
John 8:33,37	some claimed -- we are Abraham's descendants
	* Concerning genealogy and nationality
	* Contrast -- between Jew and Gentile/Greek
Rom. 1:16	for the Jew first -- also for the Greek
Rom. 2:9-10	of the Jew first -- also of the Greek
Rom. 3:1	what advantage does a Jew have?
2	to them were committed the oracles of God
9	are Jews better than Greeks? -- not at all -- both Jews and Greeks are under sin
10-18	both are sinners

22-23 there is no difference -- for all have sinned
 and fall short of the glory of God

Rom. 10:12 there is no distinction between Jew and Greek

Rom. 2:28-29 not a Jew outwardly

Gal. 3:28 there is neither Jew nor Greek

 29 if you are Christ's -- you are Abraham's seed

 * Jew
 "loudaios" -- Strong's #2453 -- Jewish people
 Used approximately 195 times

 * Gentiles

 * Main word -- "ethnos" -- Strong's #1484 --
 Gentile, pagan; (foreign) nation, a
 people

 Used as Gentiles -- 93 times
 Used as nations/nation -- 64 times
 Used as heathen -- 5 times
 Used as people -- 2 times

 * Greek and Gentile

 * Main word -- "Hellen" -- Strong's #1672 --
 Greek, Gentile; a class of person
 distinguished from the Jewish race and nation (not necessarily Greek)

 Used as Greeks/Greek -- 20 times
 Used as Gentiles/Gentile -- 7 times

 * "Hellenikos" -- Strong's #1673 -- Greek
 (language)

 Used 2 times

 * "Hellenisti" -- Strong's #1676 -- in Greek
 (language)

 Used 2 times

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 * Israelites as a nationality

Rom. 11:1 Paul asked -- has God cast away His people? --
 certainly not -- I am an Israelite of the
 seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin

Gal. 6:16 the Israel of God

Eph. 2:12 commonwealth of Israel

Phil. 3:5 stock of Israel

Rom. 9:3 my brethren, my countrymen (according to flesh)

 4 who are Israelites -- to whom pertain.....
 the adoption
 the glory
 the covenants
 the giving of the law
 the service of God
 and the promises

 6 they are not all Israel, who are of Israel

 7 nor are they all children because they are of

