



HSM PRESENTS: WHO AM I? SERIES OVERVIEW



SERIES AT A GLANCE

TEACHING THEME

Finding our identity in Jesus

SERIES OVERVIEW

We all want to know who we are – what we're good at, what makes us unique, and why we matter. This 4 week series is all about empowering teenagers to discover that **the best way to fully understand their identity is by getting to know the God who created them.** He is a God who **knows us**, who gives us a **place to belong**, who **helps us understand** ourselves, and who **helps us become** everything He has created us to be. When we place the foundation of our identity in sports, grades, popularity and other things those foundations will crumble, **but a foundation of our identity in Jesus will be a permanent rock under our feet.**

HIGH SCHOOL HACK

Encourage your students that it's ok for them to be searching for who they are. "Who am I?" may be the biggest question high school students ask themselves; this can drive a lot of their actions and feelings as they search for the answer. The ages from 12 to 19 have actually been titled the Identity versus Role Confusion in a major psychological theory. As we point students towards founding their identity in Jesus, we don't want to shame them for searching for their identity in sports, grades, or other places. In other words, the goal is point students towards Jesus being the **BIGGEST** and most important part of their identity.

WEEK BY WEEK

WEEK 1: WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

- MAIN POINT: The Creator of the Universe knows your name.
- MAIN SCRIPTURE(S): Genesis 1:1-27 & Psalm 139:1-6
- JESUS CONNECTION: Jesus loves you and
- wants to be in a personal relationship with you.
- SECONDARY TEACHING POINTS:
 - We all want to feel known.
 - Sometimes we are desperate to feel known.
 - You are known by your Creator.

WEEK OF JANUARY 10 = STUDY BREAK

This is the week most high schools have their finals, so instead of having a lesson let's take a break and let our students relax, hang out, and not feel guilty for missing small group if they need extra time to study.

WEEK 2: WEEK OF JANUARY 17

- MAIN POINT: The Creator has given you a place to belong.
- MAIN SCRIPTURE(S): Ephesians 2:17-22
- JESUS CONNECTION: When we believe in Jesus, we become part of His family.
- SECONDARY TEACHING POINTS:
 - We all want to belong.
 - Sometimes we are desperate to belong.
 - God has given us a place to belong.

WEEK 3: WEEK OF JANUARY 24

- MAIN POINT: The more you know your Creator the more you'll discover your identity and purpose.
- MAIN SCRIPTURE(S): Ephesians 2:10 & Acts 9:1-22
- JESUS CONNECTION: It's not about becoming a good person, it's about being transformed by Jesus.
- SECONDARY TEACHING POINTS:
 - Who are you? How you answer this question matters.
 - Who does God say you are? Your Creator's opinion of you is more important than anyone else's.
- TEACHING NOTE: There is an optional activity that has some preparation needed (details in the Teaching Guide).

WEEK 4: WEEK OF JANUARY 31

- MAIN POINT: Staying connected with your Creator empowers you to keeping living in His identity and purpose for you.
- MAIN SCRIPTURE(S): John 15:4-5
- JESUS CONNECTION: Believing in Jesus starts a life-long relationship with Him.
- SECONDARY TEACHING POINTS:
 - You were created to bear fruit by staying connected with God.
 - Connect with God when you are drained.
 - Stay connected with God every day, all day.