

Section A: Who are you?

1. Describe yourself using three words (adjectives or nouns)
2. What is your greatest strength (attribute) / success (achievement)?
3. What is your greatest weakness (attribute) / failure (omission/commission)?
4. What is your greatest fear?
Not necessarily related to (a) or (b) below
 - a. How would you feel if your greatest strength is removed?
 - b. How would you feel if your greatest weakness / failure is revealed?
5. For a few, our identities may be tied up with our possessions.
 - a. What is your approximate net worth? (assets minus liabilities)
Note: For your reflection only; you will not be asked to reveal your net worth.
 - b. Is this amount enough for you, your family and your retirement?
 - If yes, then why are you still working?
 - If no, how much is enough?



Identity

Section B: How do you see yourself?

6. Rank the following in the order of predominance in your mind from the most to the least predominant item.

Son

Father

Husband

Your Strength(s)

Your Vocation

Your Resources

Child of God

Servant of God

Citizen of Heaven

Church member

Church leader / Ministry leader

Others (please specify)

Notes and Instruction:

- Your order will provide insight as to what you think gives you significance – the core of your identity.
- Most of the items are in the realm of relationships with things and people outside of ourselves.
- Classify each item either as temporal OR permanent. So what? Does it matter?

a. Which relationship would you want to be the most predominant in your mind?

b. What do you need to do and/or change to achieve that?

Things you will START to do

Things you will STOP doing

Section C: You are a child of God

7. Ponder afresh what it means to be a child of God (Eph. 2:1-10)

a. What are your thoughts and feelings?

Do not give expected (or spiritually correct) answers but your honest thoughts and feelings



b. Complete this sentence

I am a child of the _____ (NOUN / ADJECTIVE) God

who _____

_____ (VERB followed by a past / present / future work of God)

c. How would your identity as a child of God affect the way you think and live?

8. Describe to a non-believer what it means to be a child of God

9. List Scripture references that will help a new believer understand what it means to be a child of God

Assignments

1. Using a computer (preferably), complete the form at http://www.vtaide.com/lifeskills/new_image.htm and reflect on the result displayed after clicking on the “Submit” button
2. Read the article “What God Thinks About You” at <https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/what-god-thinks-about-you>

Read the article again but with a focus on **“What God Has Done for You”**, highlighting (if possible) all the appropriate phrases and clauses.

3. Before our next session, meet with another “iron brother” to share your answers to the above questions with the goal of sharpening one another (Prov. 27:17)