

Knowing the Love of God
Romans 1:7
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We have an identity crisis. We don't know who we are anymore.

We are lost creatures and it shows everywhere in our culture.

The gospel causes us to remember who we are.

The gospel forms our identity.

To the Church/Saints in Rome

Rome, the eternal city. Center of the world, culture, art and power.

Paul is using OT designations for Israel and applying them to the NT church, including Gentiles. (Galatians 6:16).

Loved by God

Does God love you? How do you know? Do you rest in that love?

“The greatest source of human comfort is not found in the depth of our love for God but His love for us.”
Paul Viggiano

Colossians 3:12; 1 Thessalonians 1:4; 2 Thessalonians 2:13.

The Christian life is a burdensome, agonizing duty, until you really know the love of God in Christ.

Called to be Saints

His love is shown in his calling us *effectually* to be saints.

It is the action of God that makes us saints; that sets us apart for God.

We are holy, and we are called to be holy. We must be who we are!!
Parenting is frustrating.

All God's children follow him.

God's love and calling forms us and our identity.

Grace to You and Peace

This declaration of grace and peace comes from the winning team.

Jesus is the pebble dropped into this world.

Embrace the gospel and let it permeate your soul.