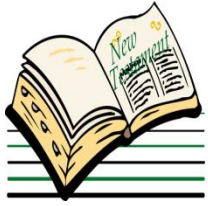


## Sermon Notes



Title: "Know Who You Are"

Text: 1 Peter 1:1-2

Theme: In Christ you are somebody. You are one who is known, loved, and chosen by God. Having your identity in Christ does not detract from achieving or doing, but it means that what you do never eclipses who you are in Christ.

### I. The Author (1a)

### II. The Recipients (1b-2a)

### III. The Greeting (2b)

## IV. Applications

A. As one who claims Christ as Lord, you are constituted as a \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_ in terms of the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. In Christ, you are \_\_\_\_\_. You are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ by God.

Next Week Read: 1 Peter 1:1-9

**Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:**

1. Who wrote this letter (v. 1a)? Who was Peter?
2. Why do some believe that Peter did not write this letter? How would you answer them? Why is this important?
3. What is the basic theme of 1 Peter?
4. What characterized "an Apostle"?
5. To whom was Peter writing?
6. How does Peter describe those to whom he wrote (1b)? What does he mean by "the Dispersion?"
7. What significance does this description have?
8. Why were these Christians "elect exiles" (v. 2a)?
9. What does it mean that God the Father "foreknew" these Christians (v. 2a)?
10. What is the "sanctification of the Spirit" (v. 2a)?
11. What were these Christians called and set apart for (v. 2a)? What does the "sprinkling of His (Christ's) blood" mean? What is the relationship of "obedience" to faith?
12. How does Peter greet these believers (v. 2b)?
13. What does it mean to "know who you are?" How do you know who you are?
14. What is an "identity"? How important is an identity? How do you identify yourself? What determines how you identify yourself?
15. How does God define you? How essential to you and to your well-being and happiness is God's definition of who you are? What difference does it make should you define yourself differently from how God defines you?