

Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



WELCOME TO COWPLAIN CHURCH Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER Hope is here (Jesus saves)
God so loved (Saviour of the world)

PRAYER
UPDATES Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER Behold our God
BIBLE READING 1 Peter 2:4-10 (Church Bible page 1270)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
COMMUNION Here is love vast as the ocean
Jesus paid it all
Cornerstone



Renewal ~5 What it means to be in Christ. 1 Peter 2:9-10

'There must be a spiritual renewal of your thoughts and attitudes. You must display a new nature because you are a new person, created in God's likeness—righteous, holy, and true.'
Ephesians 4:23-24 NLT

'You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.' 1 Peter 2:9-10 NIV

1. In Christ I am completely _____.

'You have been chosen by God himself!' 1 Peter 2:9 LB

- *Because God _____ me before everything.*

'He chose us in him before the creation of the world, to be holy and blameless in his sight by his love.' Ephesians 1:4 NIV

- *Because _____ has made me acceptable.*

'Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. He made us acceptable to God and gave us the hope of eternal life.' Titus 3:7 CEV

2. In Christ I am extremely _____.

'You are a holy nation, a people belonging to God!' 1 Peter 2:9 NIV

'You are a people holy to the Lord your God... his treasured possession.' Deuteronomy 7:6 NIV

'God says, 'You are precious to me.' Isaiah 43:4 TEV

- *Because Jesus gave his _____ for me.*

'You have been bought and paid for by Christ, so you belong to him...'
1 Corinthians 7:23 LB

3. In Christ I am eternally _____.

'Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God.'
1 Peter 2:10 NIV

'Jesus and the ones he makes holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers and sisters.'
Hebrews 2:11 NLT

'I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself.' Jeremiah 31:3 NLT

- *Because God is _____.*

'God's love is eternal and his faithfulness lasts forever.' Psalm 100:5 TEV

4. In Christ I am totally _____.

'At one time you did not know God's mercy, but now you have received his mercy.' 1 Peter 2:10 TEV

'There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.'
Romans 8:1 NIV

- *Because it's in God's _____ to forgive.*

'I am the God who forgives your sins, and I do this because of who I am. I will not hold your sins against you.' Isaiah 43:25 TEV

- *Because Jesus _____ for my sins.*

'For by the blood of Christ we are set free, that is, our sins are forgiven. How great is the grace of God!' Ephesians 1:7 TEV

5. In Christ I am fully _____.

'You are royal priests... chosen to tell about the wonderful acts of God, who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.'
1 Peter 2:9 NCV

'You are to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to the light, from the power of Satan to God, so that through their faith in me they will have their sins forgiven and also, like you, receive their place among God's chosen people.' Acts 26:18 TEV

'The capacity we have comes from God; it is he who made us capable of serving the new covenant.' 2 Corinthians 3:5-6 TEV

- *Because Christ _____ in me.*

'I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.'
Philippians 4:13 NIV



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. What are some of the tools Satan uses to distort our true identity?
2. Read 1 Peter 2:9-10. In these verses are five of the identity marks of your life when you are in Christ. 1. You are chosen. 2. You're a royal priesthood. 3. You're holy. 4. You are a people belonging to God. 5. You have received mercy. Which one(s) of these 5 marks resonate with you and why?
3. What are some of the things we do to try to find acceptance?
 - Now read 1 Peter 2:9. How does that change your thoughts on acceptance?
4. What is it that determines something's value?
 - So how valuable are you to God? Look up Deuteronomy 7:6 and 1 Corinthians 7:23 as you answer.
5. Read Hebrews 2:11. If you are a Christian Jesus is not ashamed to call you his brother and sister, to identify with you. Why is that?
6. Read Romans 8:1. How should that affect the way you feel about yourself? How should it affect the way you act and live each day?
7. Read 1 Peter 2:9. What does it mean to be royal priests? How does that impact our witnessing to others about Christ?
8. What does Philippians 4:13 mean to you personally and how can you apply that to every day life or a situation you are facing at the moment?