

# WHO AM I?

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“Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

II Samuel 7:18

David had revealed to Nathan the prophet that he wanted to build a permanent temple, or house of God. God instructed Nathan to tell David that the king's son, who would succeed David as king, would actually fulfill this dream of David's. God also informed David that his house and the kingdom would be established forever. When David heard these words, his first response was, “Who am I, O Lord GOD?” David was overwhelmed that God had been so good to him, and he knew that he was undeserving of God's great goodness. Why would God choose David to be the one to be so mightily blessed?

At times, we have certainly felt the same way. Who am I? Why have we been so wonderfully blessed? Who am I that I could be a resident of this great country, and enjoy all the freedoms and benefits associated with that privilege? Who am I that I would be able to be exposed to the Gospel of Christ from an early age? Who am I that I could have in my possession a copy of the very Word of God? Who am I that I could know with absolute certainty that eternal salvation is found through faith in Christ alone and that any other message is a false hope? Who am I that Christ would suffer and die on the cross for my sins? Who am I that I might have the promise that all my sins are forgiven? Who am I that I could be a member of a church where Christ is honored and the Bible is preached and the Spirit of God is working? Who am I that I

could have the assurance, because of Christ's death and resurrection, that one day I will reside in Heaven where there is no pain or sickness or separation? Who am I that I will never experience the reality of hell for even a split second?

It should humble us to think of how good God has been to us. It is not because we merited these blessings because of something we have done. We never earned or deserved any of these great gifts that have been promised to us. We are a most blessed people. Who are we? We are the children of the living God through faith in His Son Jesus Christ. We are justified by His grace, redeemed by his blood, and adopted into God's eternal family. We are mightily and everlastingly blessed, all because of the magnificent goodness of God.

### **Let's Pray**

Dear heavenly father, thank you for your word today. I pray that this devotional has blessed the person reading this and that the Holy Spirit will continue to speak to his or her heart. I ask this in Jesus name. Amen