Message to Myself

What I believe about who I am affects how I experience life

Over the course of life we develop messages about who we are

1 Corinthians 3:21-4:4

Exchanging the message to myself: A New Judge

Through the gospel we get the <u>verdict</u> before the <u>performance</u>

My new identity is based on my position in Christ

I am Loved

I belong in His family

I Am His

How does the exchange from the old to the new take place: Faith

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

Romans 12:2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

- Believe what God says rather than our own judgment: Let Him be the judge.
- Return to the gospel when we find ourselves back in the courtroom.

When we know who we are in Christ, we don't have to try to measure up all the time. When we know who we are in Christ, we can love others as we are loved by God. When we know who we are in Christ, we can rest, secure in who we are. When we know who we are in Christ, we will live Christ's life.