Our New and Shared Identity in Christ All to Christ July 18, 2021 • Rev. KC Wong • Colossians 1:9-14

Getting Started

- 1. Our New Identity in Christ (Colossians 1:12-14)
 - i. He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves. (1:13)
 - ii. In Christ we are redeemed, and our sins forgiven.(1:14)
- 2. Our Shared Identity in Christ (Colossians 1:9-11)
 - i. The wisdom and understanding of the Spirit so that we may live a life worthy of the Lord. (1:9)
 - The wisdom and understanding of the Spirit so that we may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God (1:10)
- iii. Strengthened by His glorious might to have great endurance and patience. (1:11)
- iv. Giving joyful thanks to the Father, who qualified us to share the inheritance in the kingdom of light. (1:12)

Wrapping Up:

SERMON LATER – REFLECTION

- 1. "... if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" (2 Corinthians 5:17).
 - a. How has this new identity in Christ enabled us to live for Christ?
 - b. How have we drifted away from living according to this new identity?
 - c. What are some ways we could live for Christ daily?
- 2. "... giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you **to** share in the inheritance of His holy people in the kingdom of light. For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (Colossians 1:12-14).
 - a. Do you agree that we talk and know more about our **new** identity in Christ than our shared identity in Christ? Why and why not?
 - b. What is your understanding of this *shared* identity in Christ?
 - c. How would our shared identity in Christ impact how we relate to others in SVAC? How would this shared identity help us to handle conflicts?