

**BASICS WEEK 1—BELONGING (9.20.20)**

**CELEBRATE AND REFLECT**

How did you see God at work in your life this past week as you applied last weekend's message?

**DISCOVER** *life with Jesus*

**John 1:12-13** *Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.*

-Think about your childhood. When was the first time you felt like you belonged to a group? What was it that made you feel like you belong?

-As an adult, what has changed about how you feel about belonging? What has stayed the same?

**DEVELOP** *life with Jesus*

Read Ephesians 1:4-6. What difference do these truths that you are chosen, loved, adopted, and wanted make in your life? What difference would you like them to make?

CHOSEN

LOVED

ADOPTED

WANTED

**Romans 12:2** *says: Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*

Consider how to renew your mind so that you are living from a strong sense of belonging to God

Are there any false ways you find yourself striving to find belonging instead of living from belonging?

**Read Romans 12:5-7 and 1 Corinthians 12:15-31**

Do you know your function within the body of Christ? If yes, what is it? If no, how will you find out what it is?

Can you think of any ways God might want to use someone else's giftedness right now in your life?

Consider the following boxes. Where do you currently find yourself when it comes to belonging to God and belonging to other people?

<b>REJECTION</b> Known, but Not Loved	<b>BELONGING</b> Known AND Loved
<b>IGNORED &amp; REJECTED</b> Not Known, Not Loved	<b>REJECTION</b> Not Known, but Loved

**DEMONSTRATE** *life with Jesus*

What is ONE thing you feel God prompting you to do as a result of what you've heard?