



THEME – OUR WORTH TO GOD

**Subject: Live Like Someone Valued by God
(Ephesians 1:4)**

Scripture Passage:

“According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:”

Introduction:

Worldly self-esteem bases your worth on appearance, possessions, and accomplishments. Whether high or low, this kind of esteem is prideful, focuses on self, and does not add value to our lives. It minimizes your potential for growth and influence.

On the other hand, self-image based upon the value God has placed on us is Christ-centered and goes far beyond what you can dream or imagine. If you are a believer who wants to be a leader, you must live as someone valued by God.

So how can you increase your Christ-centered self-image? Look to the Apostle Paul’s letter to the Ephesians. In them are three reasons, we are valuable to God.

Scripture References:

Genesis 1:26-27; Isaiah 43:4; Matthew 10:31; Luke 12:6-7; John 3:16-20; John 10:10; Ephesians 1:4-7, 11-12; Ephesians 4:1-6, 15; Titus 3:4-7; 1 Peter 2:9

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Biblical Applications:

1. Why are you valuable to God? [Ephesians 1:4-12](#)
2. How can you live as someone valued by God? [Ephesians 3:17-20](#)
3. What do you do with the knowledge of someone valued by God? [Ephesians 4:1-6, 15](#)

Closing:

Each one of us, as a believer is an influencer in our part of the world. The word of God provides the foundation for our personal ministry.

It is of utmost importance that we see our value, not in some prideful attitude of self-achievement or inherited superior race or family tree, but as helpless human sinners, yet as sinners with value, a value based not on what we are or can do, but on what He can do with and through us.

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