

HOW DO I COME TO GRIPS WITH THE REAL ME?

Q3 of The Profile of an Authentic Disciple

Romans 12:3-8

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Q1 – How Do I Give God What He Wants Most?	Romans 12:1
Q2 – How Do I Get God’s Best for My Life?	Romans 12:2
Q3 – How Do I Come to Grips with the Real Me?	Romans 12:3-8
Q4 – How Do I Experience Authentic Community?	Romans 12:9-13
Q5 – How Do I Overcome the Evil Aimed at Me?	Romans 12:14-21

How do I come to grips with the real me?

I. THE COMMAND: _____.

God’s Answer to “_____?” Rom. 12:3.

How a Christian Should Think About His/Her _____:

- A. The **Example** of It.
- B. The **Extent** of It.
- C. The **Exclusion** of It.
- D. The **Expression** of It.

God uniquely created you. You are _____.
Psalm 139:13-14

II. THE REASON: _____.

God’s Answer to “_____?” Rom. 12:4-5

How a Christian Should Think About His/Her _____:

- A. The _____ of the Body of Christ.
- B. The _____ in the Body of Christ.
- C. The _____ in the Body of Christ.
- D. The _____ in the Body of Christ.

God placed you in His family. You are _____.
Ephesians 3:19-21

III. THE PRACTICE: _____.

God’s Answer to “_____?” Rom. 12:6-8.

How a Christian Should Think About His/Her _____:

- A. Some Have Gifts for the **Exposition** of the Message.
- B. Some Have Gifts for the **Extension** of the Ministry.

God gifted you to fulfill His purpose. You are _____.
Ephesians 2:10

TAKE AWAYS FOR YOURSELF AND TO ENCOURAGE SOMEONE

- ✚ Ask God to help you see yourself the way He sees you.

Then, think of someone who has a low or untrue view of themselves and share positive character qualities you see in their life.

- ✚ Admit to God and yourself that you are insecure and need to find your security in Christ – not in your appearance, performance, or possessions.

Then, choose to look beyond the irritating strong or weak reactions of someone you don’t particularly enjoy being around. Seek to understand why they are pretending, hiding, or blaming. Where possible, affirm the person hiding behind the mask by demonstrating the compassion of Christ.

- ✚ Ask God for the power to obey the command in Romans 12:3 to “think accurately about yourself” and sit quietly before the Lord and thank Him for your strengths and weaknesses. Offer to God afresh your strengths to serve His Body and your weaknesses to receive grace from others.

Then, jot a handwritten note to someone whose strengths have been God’s love expression to some need in your life. Thank them for using their strengths to make Christ known to you.