

At The Movies: Creed | Week 4

Introduction

We all ask, "Who am I?" and "What makes me valuable?" The answer: You're a child of God, loved beyond measure. Stop fighting to prove yourself—fight from the acceptance you already have in Christ.

Conversation Starters (10 minutes)

- If you could have any fictional character as your personal coach or mentor, who would you pick and why?
- When this past week did you feel most connected to God? What were you doing, and what made that moment special?

Sermon Notes Review (15 minutes)

What caught your attention, stood out to you, or challenged you from this weekend's teaching?

[Watch the Video](#) (5 minutes)

Group Discussion (45 minutes)

1. What's something that you're having to fight with or a challenge in your life?
2. Think about a time when you felt like you had to prove yourself to someone—maybe at work, in a relationship, or even to yourself. What was that like? How did it affect you?
3. Read [1 John 3:1](#), [Ephesians 2:8-9](#), and [Romans 8:38-39](#).
 - a. What stands out to you in these verses? Do you see any common themes?
 - b. What is revealed about God's character?
 - c. What is revealed about the role our achievements play in how God sees us?
 - d. How is your view (or the cultural view) of worth, identity, and love challenged by these verses?
4. What's one specific area of your life where you've been fighting *for* acceptance instead of *from* acceptance? What would it look like to shift your perspective this week?
5. Take a moment of silence. Have each person write down one lie you've believed about your identity, then cross it out and write the truth from 1 John 3:1: "I am a child of God."

Prayer (5 minutes)

In partners or as a whole group, pray this prayer of identity over one another:

Father, we come before you in the name of Jesus. We recognize the power You have given us by the shed blood of Jesus to overcome lies. (Person's name who shared) has confessed that he/she has believed the lie that _____.

*We claim the truth that he/she is **a child of God**. Through Your power, we take back the ground (Person's name) has surrendered to the enemy. We pray You will enable (Person's Name) to trust and obey Your Holy Spirit so that he/she can live from a place of acceptance, fully loved and chosen by You. Amen.*

Announcements (5 minutes)

- At Sun Valley, we believe the church is not a building you come and sit in, but a mission you choose to be a part of. One of the best ways to join that mission is to join a serve team.
 - What teams do people in your group serve on?
 - If you are not part of a serve team, what is holding you back?