

The Sermon

Love Identity and Purpose

Part 2: A Firm Foundation

Love, Identity and purpose:

- **Knowing the love of the Father**
- **Discovering our identity in Christ as children of God**
- **Regaining our purpose of bringing forth the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in Heaven**

Genesis 1:26-28

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

*And God blessed them. And God said to them,
"Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth
and subdue it and have dominion over the
fish of the sea and over the birds of the
heavens and over every living thing that
moves on the earth."*

1 John 4:8

"...God is love."

Life's deepest questions:

- **"Am I Loved?"**
- **"Who am I?"**
- **"Why do I exist?"**

Genesis 3:15

"I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Matthew 28:18-19

[Jesus said] *"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."*

Romans 8:15-17

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

We have different functions, we have different roles, but what matters is that we are in the family.

Matthew 7:24-27

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.”

And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

John 16:33

"In the world you will have tribulation."