**Can the Real You stand up Please? Feb.7/20**

[**Genesis 1:27**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+1%3A27&version=ESV)**-** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Before you even became a Christian, this is who you were made to be. God never created us to be separated from Him.

If you look around in this world you will find a lot of people searching for answers, looking for acceptance, trying to be someone they are not, trying to succeed, going to any length to find themselves and their true identity.

People are so focused on this world that even Christians are living like the world. They accept suggestions and ideas that are not from our original design.

We were never made for sin, disobedience, loneliness, separation, wars, hatred, jealousy, rebellion and all the rest that this world and the enemy has to offer.

God’s plan was for Him and Him alone. But due to rebellion, pride, selfishness, and thinking we know better than God we have decided that we know better than a God that created us for Himself.

[**1 Peter 2:9**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+2%3A9&version=ESV)**-** But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

This is who we were created to be. To live in His light. To be chosen, royalty, holy and possessed by God. Yes possessed by the One that cares.

In this world when we strive to be accepted by people, we lower our standards to hurt and pain that only God can heal and bring you back to the person He created you to be.

God is love (1 Cor.13:1-8), He is the Way, the Truth, the Life, patient, kind, gracious, merciful, helpful, comforter, longsuffering, abundant in blessing, wants us, loving, joyful, peaceful, gentle, good, faithful, meek, temperance and so much more.

Have you ever wondered why all His people, even those that don’t know yet, are denying and running from Him instead of to Him?

Have you ever wondered why we are more willing to listen to a liar, thief and a deceiver? Maybe it’s time to get back to the Word and discover who we really are not what someone else says, that hates us.