

**One-of-a-Kind: Life**



In 2022, we are praying that each CCBC kingdom citizen will focus on identifying and developing their one-of-a-kind life so that through the Spirit they may be powerfully and productively speaking the Word into others in personal ministry.

# 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 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.’”*

# Ephesians 2:1-3

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

<sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

# Ephesians 2:4-9

<sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved — <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

# Ephesians 2:10

<sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

# Our One-of-a-Kind Life

## 1. Who We Were (1-3)

➤ WE WERE DEAD!

➤ Spiritually Lifeless

*“They are darkened in their understanding, ALIENATED FROM THE LIFE OF GOD because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart.”* (Ephesians 4:18)

# Our One-of-a-Kind Life

## 1. Who We Were (1-3)

- Spiritual death is ALIENATION from the life source of God through the vine of Jesus Christ.



# Our One-of-a-Kind Life

## 1. Who We Were (1-3)

➤ Application

➤ ***If we are to minister out of our one-of-a-kind life, we must remember that the person we are ministering to was once us.***



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## *2. Who We Are (4-9)*

- BUT GOD...restores life to the spiritually dead.
- What is the motivation of God to give life? It is LOVE!
- That means that God has done what we could never do on our own, and contrary to nature, He has saved us by grace through our response of faith to His call of salvation.



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## *2. Who We Are (4-9)*

➤ Application

➤ *In our one-of-a-kind life of ministry*

***YOU ARE NOT THE SAVIOR OF THAT PERSON.***



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## *3. Who We Are to Be (10)*

- God, in Christ Jesus, has strategically made us new for the purpose of doing good works to display the glory of God's work in saving sinners.



# Ephesians 4:15-16

*“Rather speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when EACH PART IS WORKING PROPERLY, MAKES THE BODY GROW SO THAT IT BUILDS ITSELF UP IN LOVE.”*

### *3. Who We Are to Be (10)*


- Application
- Identify difficult experiences in your life that you have gone through, the counsel from God's Word and through God's people that helped you through that journey.
- Identify the blessings in your life, and recognize how they have shaped who you are today in order to be freed to be a minister of encouragement today.



### *3. Who We Are to Be (10)*

*➤ Take note of who God has put around you right now in your sphere of life, and pray asking God to teach you how to LOVE them, in order that you may KNOW them better, so that you can SPEAK the Word of God into their life, and DO what good works that need to be done in order to minister to their needs.*





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