



IDENTITY CRISIS WK 5  
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BIG IDEA | A recovered identity *REDEEMS* your *PAST*.

Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT)

<sup>12</sup> I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. <sup>13</sup> No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

3 Ways I *STAY STUCK* in my past:

1. I *REHEARSE* my resentments.
2. I am *PARALYZED* by my *PAIN*.
3. I *REINFORCE* my remorse.

3 Ways to *MOVE PAST* my *PAST*:

1. *RELEASE* my resentments.

Ephesians 4:31-32 (NLT)

<sup>31</sup> Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. <sup>32</sup> Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

2. *REPURPOSE* my pain.

## 2 Corinthians 1:4-5 (NLT)

<sup>4</sup> He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us. <sup>5</sup> For the more we suffer for Christ, the more God will shower us with his comfort through Christ.

## 3. REMEMBER *the cross*.

### Luke 22:14-23

<sup>14</sup> When the time came, Jesus and the apostles sat down together at the table. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said, “I have been very eager to eat this Passover meal with you before my suffering begins. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you now that I won’t eat this meal again until its meaning is fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.”

<sup>17</sup> Then he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. Then he said, “Take this and share it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup> For I will not drink wine again until the Kingdom of God has come.”

<sup>19</sup> He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

<sup>20</sup> After supper he took another cup of wine and said, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you.

<sup>21</sup> “But here at this table, sitting among us as a friend, is the man who will betray me. <sup>22</sup> For it has been determined that the Son of Man must die. But what sorrow awaits the one who betrays him.” <sup>23</sup> The disciples began to ask each other which of them would ever do such a thing

### Two Options:

1. The *WRONGWAY* (Judas) | *SELF - CONDEMNATION*
2. The *RIGHTWAY* (Peter) | *CONFESSION*