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I Will Embrace My Uniqueness

(Learning to look through the lens of love)
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"Let everyone be sure that he is **DOING HIS VERY BEST**, for then he will have the personal satisfaction of work well done and won't need to compare himself with someone else." (Gal 6:4)

"**I am fearfully and wonderfully made**; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. **ALL THE DAYS ORDAINED FOR ME WERE WRITTEN IN YOUR BOOK BEFORE ONE OF THEM CAME TO BE.**" (Psa 139:13)

Looking Through A Lens Of Love

... He was willing to die a shameful death on the cross because of the joy he knew would be his afterwards"(Heb 12:2 NIV)

You are a **treasure to be sought**.

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field." (Mat 13:44; NIV)

You are a **prize to be bought**.

"...the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it." (Mat 13:45-46; NIV)

You are a **catch to be kept**.

"Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away." (Mat 13:47-48; NIV)

Remember Not To Forget

I am not who **you think I am**.

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"When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, **what is man that you are mindful of him**, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: ..." (Psa 8:3-9; NIV)

I am who God **says I am**.

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" (1 John 3:1; NIV)

"For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my informed substance. In your books were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed." (Psa 139:13-16, NIV)

I have what God **says I have**.

"He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us **all things?**" (Rom 8:32, NIV)

I can do what God **says I can do**.

"I'm just as happy with little as with much, with much as with little. I've found the recipe for being happy whether full or hungry, hands full or hands empty. Whatever I have, wherever I am I can make it through anything in **the One who makes me who I am.**" (Phi 4:11-12; The Message).