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What does God say about being yourself?

The world is inundated with views describing who a person "is" or "isn't" and what a person "should be" or "shouldn't be".

1.	How can a person naturally be described?		
	1 Corinthians 2:14	James 1:23-25	
	Jeremiah 17:9-10	1 Peter 4:3-5	
	Ephesians 2:2-3	1 Corinthians 6:9-10	
	Romans 3:10-18		

The scriptures clearly describe every human being being exceedingly sinful, selfish, and self destructive by nature. Being who I naturally am and doing what comes natural will always be sinful.

2.	What does God think about the natural person?		
	Ezekiel 18:4	Proverbs 8:35-36	
	Ezekiel 22:29-31	Revelation 20:11-14	
	2 Chronicles 34:21-25	Psalm 79:5-6	
	Matthew 25:44-46		

By nature, every human being that has ever lived deserves to receive the outpouring of God's wrath. By nature, every human being is wicked and stands condemned before God and will rightly receive eternal punishment and eternal condemnation.

3.	What are some things that distinguish between various people?		
	1 Corinthians 12:27-30	Exodus 31:3-5	
	1 Corinthians 12:8-11	Deuteronomy 11:13	
	Joshua 22:5	-	

Every human being has particular gifts and abilities that make them unique, although they are still made in the image and likeness of God. It is also the utilization of these various gifts that truly make us fit for a specific kind of work in the body of the Lord Jesus Christ.

 4. What does God think about individual personal distinctions? Ephesians 4:10-13 1 Samuel 12:20
Deuteronomy 11:13-14 Jeremiah 29:11-14

It is God who has gifted each of us with these specific gifts and capabilities. God gave those abilities to each of us for the purpose of serving the church, the entire body of Christ.