



June 14, 2020

Free As Sons
Galatians 3:26-4:7

For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. **27** And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. **28** There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are His heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you. **4:1** Think of it this way. If a father dies and leaves an inheritance for his young children, those children are not much better off than slaves until they grow up, even though they actually own everything their father had. **2** They have to obey their guardians until they reach whatever age their father set. **3** And that's the way it was with us before Christ came. We were like children; we were slaves to the basic spiritual principles of this world. **4** But when the right time came, God sent His Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. **5** God sent Him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that He could adopt us as His very own children. **6** And because we are His children, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." **7** Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are His child, God has made you His heir.

Main Idea: God has graciously _____ us, giving us the _____ of sons and the _____ of sonship.

I. _____ in Galatians

- A. We are saved by grace _____ through faith _____ in Christ _____.
- B. _____: We are _____ before God the judge.
- C. _____: We are _____ by God the Father.

II. The _____ Father

- A. God sent His Son so that we might receive the _____ of sons.
 - 1. Adoption requires someone who comes at the right _____.
 - 2. Adoption requires someone who possesses the right _____.
 - 3. Adoption requires someone who has the right _____.
- B. God sent His Spirit so that we might experience the _____.



_____ of Sonship.

1. We live with a new _____ before God.
2. We enjoy _____ with God.
3. We are guaranteed an _____ from God.

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Small group questions:

1. What's the difference between being justified and being adopted?
2. Could anyone other than Jesus reconciled us to God?
3. How should the new identity of a follower of Christ affect his or her battle with sin? What about fear? Covetousness? Divisiveness? Why should the doctrine of adoption inspire greater prayer and deeper worship?
4. How should the doctrine of adoption impact the way we view others in the church? Do you think most people in our church view the church as family, an event, or a building? Why?
5. Paul speaks of the inheritance believers receive by virtue of their adoption. List some of these privileges.