

Message Notes

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Our God is... Abba
(Romans 8:14-17)
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- ◆ Jesus invites His disciples to call God _____, or _____. (Mt 6:9)
- ◆ God isn't interested in our _____, He wants a _____.

The God of Adoption

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by Him we cry, "Abba, Father." **Romans 8:15**

- ◆ The gospel: in Christ we've been _____ to _____. (1 Jn 3:1)
- ◆ Everyone who has the _____ is adopted by the _____. (Ro 8:2)
- ◆ Our status as "sons" is _____, not _____. (Jn 1:12; Ro 3:25)

What Our Adoption Means

- ① We are given a _____ . (2 Cor 5:17; Gal 2:20; Rev 3:12)
- ◆ This identity gives us _____ & _____. (Phil 1:6; Heb 6:19)
- ② We have _____ to our Father. (Mt 11:28; Heb 4:14-16)
- ③ We're given an _____. (Ro 8:17; Gal 4:1-7 ; Col 3:24; Eph 1:13-14)
- ④ We will bear the _____ of our _____. (Ro 8:17, 29; Heb 12:10)

Slaves or Sons?

God decided in advance to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself through Jesus Christ. This is what He wanted to do, and it gave Him great pleasure. **Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)**

- ◆ Many Christians think they are _____ not _____. (Jn 15:15; Ro 8:15)
- ◆ A "slave" _____ the Father out of _____ & _____. (Lk 15:25-30)
- ◆ A son knows their _____ isn't based on their _____.
- ◆ Obedience then is a _____ & _____, not a _____. (1 Jn 5:1-5)
- ◆ Do I know God as the _____ who has _____ me in _____?