

# COMMUNITY GROUPS

Living out the gospel with  
one another in our homes

Date: 3.29.26

Ted Rastatter

Galatians 4:1-7

Ted Rastatter

Sermon:

Text:

Questions:

**Overview:** Moving from the law to the promise and now from slaves to adopted sons, Paul is addressing the precious reality for all followers of Jesus: we've been *Bought out and Brought In*. When the Father sent Jesus at the appointed time, he redeemed his people from under the Law and adopted us as sons into the family of God — making us heirs through God.

## Questions:

1. Discuss the meaning of "*Elementary principles of the world*" Vs. 3. In what ways might something that started as helpful (prayer, Bible reading, obedience) have become something that now makes you feel stuck or pressured in your walk with God?
2. What are some ways a slave might think versus the way a son and heir might think? Do you tend to approach your relationship with God more in terms of a slave (earn, avoid failure) or like His child (loved and accepted)?
3. Paul tells us *God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts crying, "Abba! Father!"* Discuss the meaning of Abba and ask yourselves "What would change about the way I approach God (and all of life for that matter) if I truly believed I was God's heir and coheir with Jesus?"
4. We don't try to act like God's children in order to become one. We've become His children and now we get to act as His. What is one practical way you can live like you belong in the family?