



THE BOOK OF

GALATIANS

FREEDOM THROUGH CHRIST

Gospel Identity

GALATIANS 3:25-4:7

November 12, 2023

Pew Research conducted a poll in 2017 asking Americans the following, "what makes their lives feel meaningful, fulfilling or satisfying?" 69% answered with family. 34% said career, and 23% said finances. Now I don't think it's a stretch to say the apostle Paul would disagree with much of what is happening in the world today, but would it surprise you that he actually agrees with this poll? Today, Paul will make the case that our family is what gives us meaning, but it may not be the family you're thinking about right away.



**WAYPOINT
CHURCH**

Know Where You're Going.

Order Of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

Leader: *Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.*

All: *Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.*

Leader: *For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hands are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.*

All: *Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker, for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.*

Songs of Praise

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Thy Mercy My God*

Offering

Confession of Sin

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, and you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak, and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse me with sacrificial blood, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:7-8

Song of Declaration

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #61

Q. Why do you say that through faith alone you are righteous?

A. Not because I please God by the worthiness of my faith. It is because only Christ's satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me righteous before God, and because I can accept this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than through faith.

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Message

Sermon

Gospel Identity

Galatians 3:25-4:7

Pastor James Brignac

Song of Response

No Longer Slaves

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Identity

What is true about most of the things we find our identity in?

What is Paul's point in Galatians 3:28?

What must we remember about our identity as Christians?

Galatians 3:26

John 17:23

Rest

How can we understand being redeemed?

Galatians 4:5

What is adoption?

*Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges of the Sons of God. – **Westminster Shorter Catechism #34***

Why did Jesus say "it is finished" on the cross?

Christ said, it is finished! And by that he meant that whatever his people owed was wiped away forever from the book of remembrance. – Charles Spurgeon

Assured

What is the role of the Spirit in this passage?

Galatians 4:6

How are all persons of the trinity at work in our adoption?

*God's purpose was not only to secure our sonship by His Son, but to assure us of it by His Spirit. He sent His Son that we might have the status of sonship, and He sent His Spirit that we might have an experience of it.
– John Stott*

What is the significance of calling God Abba?

Announcements

HABAKKUK

LEARNING TO LIVE BY FAITH

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Wed. at 6 PM
Led by Kasey Bushman

nikki's
treat
boutique

Cookie Decorating Class
November 15 at 6:00 PM
RSVP with Bessie Lambert

CASKET EMPTY

God's Plan of Redemption Through History



The Story of the
Bible Simply Explained
with Jesus at its Center

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Led by Matt Kodatt

PHILIPPIANS

THE JOY OF A CHRISTIAN LIFE

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 10 AM
Led by Steve Jacques



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Collection date November 19



WAYPOINT
KIDS

Christmas
Party

Sunday, December 10 at 4-5 PM

Advent
Bonfire
& Carol Sing

December 10 @ 5pm

All Church Bonfire and Carol Sing
Sunday, December 10 at 5 PM



WAYPOINT
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Sundays at 6:30 PM
At Waypoint Church

Discussion Questions

1. What has your identity been tied to over the years?
2. Paul states, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." How can this help us think about the world today?
3. How does adoption help us understand the gospel and our relationship to God?
4. What can we do if we don't feel loved by God?
5. Do you find it difficult to see God as Abba? Why or why not?
6. What is something you've learned at the halfway point of our study in Galatians?