



Text: Galatians 3:25 – 4:7

Big Idea: J.I. Packer, in his book “Knowing God, shares that adoption is the highest privilege of grace. This even more so than our justification because adoption enables a richer relationship with God.

- God sent His Son so we might receive the position of sons
- God sent His Spirit so that we might experience the privilege of sonship

Discussion Questions:

1. God chose to adopt us despite the fact that we were “...by nature deserving [His] wrath” (NIV Eph.2:3b) Given this, why do you think people who behave well might have a hard time accepting the need for adoption?
2. Read Galatians 3:28. As disciples of Jesus we retain our distinctive identities. However, they should no longer be divisive barriers. How does our church demonstrate unity in Christ while maintaining our distinctive identities? What are the ways, if any, where you might like to improve in this?
3. How does it feel when you are in an intimate relationship with someone? How do you experience intimacy in your relationship with God? How do life’s demands challenge intimacy?
4. Paul stressed that all in Christ receive a permanent inheritance. How does knowing that truth encourage you?