

## Your Adoption by Grace – Galatians 3:26-4:7

**Intro:** God made incredible choices for us to receive the adoption as sons of God.

### I. An \_\_\_\_\_ Choice – Galatians 3:19-23, 26-29

A. Despite Our \_\_\_\_\_ – 3:19, 21

B. Despite Our \_\_\_\_\_ – 3:22, 23

C. Despite Our \_\_\_\_\_ – 3:28

Ephesians 1:4-6 - Through grace, adoption is God's choice that was made from all eternity.

### II. An \_\_\_\_\_ Choice – Galatians 4:1-3

Before \_\_\_\_\_ came, the ensuring of rights as \_\_\_\_\_ of God through adoption was not possible.

### III. An \_\_\_\_\_ Choice – Galatians 4:4-5

\_\_\_\_\_ – Jesus is our substitute, our ransom, and our redeemer.

In grace, the highest possible price was paid by Christ through the agony of crucifixion for our adoption as sons.

### IV. An \_\_\_\_\_ Choice – 4:6-7

What God gives in adoption can be found nowhere else

A. Never Ending \_\_\_\_\_ – 4:6

B. Never Ending \_\_\_\_\_ – 4:6

C. Never Ending \_\_\_\_\_ – 4:7

**Illustrate:** Willy Wonka...In an instant Charlie went from being a poor boy to the heir of what was humanly speaking out of his reach.

Without Christ's redeeming us through the cross, receiving the adoption of sons and being an heir of God was out of reach.

But as a believer in Jesus, you have been adopted by the will of the Father and are an heir of God with every spiritual blessing forever!

### **Small Group Questions**

1. What are some challenges to adopting a child today? What are some of the blessings of adopting a child?
2. What parallels do you see between adoptive parents and the adoption that we receive from God to become sons of God?
3. Read Galatians 3:26-29. What do these verses teach about who is eligible to be an heir of God through Christ.
4. Read Ephesians 1:4-6. When were we chosen for adoption? Who did the choosing? Why? What results from our adoption?
5. Read Galatians 4:1-3. Could a person receive the adoption as sons prior to Christ's coming? Explain.
6. Read Galatians 4:4. What does Jesus coming at the right time teach you about God's providence?
7. Read Galatians 4:5 – Could anyone but Jesus paid the redemption price for our adoption? Explain.
8. Read Galatians 4:6-7 – As the result of our adoption as sons, what has changed in our lives?
9. How is God challenging you to think differently? What is a key lesson from this study to apply to your life?