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1. Your _____ in Christ

Before you were saved, you were a slave to fear. But you have been adopted by the Father through Jesus Christ. You are no longer in bondage to fear, for God has rescued you. God will not condemn you – and He’s the only one who can.

But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ~ Galatians 3:25-26

2. The _____ - _____ of the Spirit

There is an inner witness from the Holy Spirit which testifies to your spirit that you are a child of God. The Spirit of Christ will open your understanding to the evidence of faith and you will come to recognize that you truly belong to Christ.

Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us. ~ 1 John 3:24

3. Your _____ from the Father

God the Father has made you a joint-heir with Christ Jesus. You have a promised inheritance and nothing will take it away. It is as secure as your soul for it is secured in the person of Christ.

...giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ~ Colossians 1:12

GALATIANS 4:6-7

AND BECAUSE YOU ARE SONS, GOD HAS SENT THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO OUR HEARTS, CRYING, “ABBA! FATHER!” SO YOU ARE NO LONGER A SLAVE, BUT A SON, AND IF A SON, THEN AN HEIR THROUGH GOD.

Additional Scripture References

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**Hebrews 2:14-15**

*Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.*

**Matthew 6:9**

*Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.”*

**Matthew 12:50**

*“For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”*

**Luke 12:31-33**

*“Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys.”*

**Malachi 1:6**

*“A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a father, where is my honor? And if I am a master, where is my fear? says the Lord of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. But you say, ‘How have we despised your name?’”*

**John 12:26**

*“If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.”*