

## Live Free Adopted Sons

*Galatians 3:26-4:7 NAS For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.*

*Galatians 4:1-7 NAS Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he does not differ at all from a slave although he is owner of everything, 2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by the father. 3 So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. 4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.*

"Sons of God"

*Gal. 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.*

"Clothed with Christ"

*Gal. 3:27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.*

Clothed with **identity**

Clothed with **closeness**

Clothed with **imitation**

*Gal. 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

"One in Christ"

No **cultural** barrier

No **class** barrier

No **gender** barrier

The **good news** of the gospel creates unity.

The **bad news** of the gospel creates unity.

“God sent forth His Son”

*Gal. 4:4-5 “But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.”*

“adoption as sons”

Adoption is **costly**

Adoption involves **the legal status of the child**

Adoption bestows **the experience of “we are family”**

“God sent forth the Spirit of His Son”

*Gal. 4:6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”*

Adoption is **seriously planned**

*Ephesians 1:4-5 For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight. In love He predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure and will—*

Adoption **provides the rights of being an heir**

*Gal. 4:7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.*

Adoption is a **rescue from a bad situation**

Additional Study on Children of God

Monday	Romans 8:1-27
Tuesday	Romans 9
Wednesday	Philippians 2:12-18
Thursday	I John 3:1-10
Friday	I John 5