

Scripture References from the Sermon

Explicitly Referenced Scriptures:

1. **John 1:1-14** - The Word became flesh; becoming children of God through belief in Jesus
2. **Romans 8:1-17** - No condemnation in Christ; living by the Spirit vs. the flesh; adoption as children of God
3. **Romans 6:5** - (Mentioned but corrected to Romans 8)
4. **Galatians 3:22-29** - Prisoners of sin; sons of God through faith; baptized into Christ
5. **Matthew 5:3-16** - The Beatitudes and being salt and light
6. **Matthew 5:43-48** - Love your enemies; be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect
7. **Hebrews 12:14** - Without holiness no one will see the Lord (paraphrased as "chapter 12, verse 16" but likely verse 14)
8. **Genesis 1** - God spoke things into existence (alluded to)

Alluded to or Thematically Referenced:

9. **Matthew 23:9** - "Call no man father" (referenced in opening remarks)
10. **John 10:10** - The thief comes to steal, kill, and destroy (alluded to)
11. **John 4** - Woman at the well (mentioned as example)
12. **1 Peter 2:18-25** - Working for difficult masters as unto the Lord (alluded to)
13. **Ephesians 1:5** - God adopted us (referenced)
14. **Colossians 1:15** - Christ as exact representation of the Father (alluded to)

Suggested Verses for Main Themes:

- **Adoption/Sonship**: Ephesians 1:5; Romans 8:15; Galatians 4:4-7
- **Grace and Truth**: John 1:14, 17
- **Being like our Heavenly Father**: Matthew 5:48; Ephesians 5:1
- **New Creation**: 2 Corinthians 5:17

- **Freedom in Christ**: Galatians 5:1, 13
- **Holy Spirit's leading**: Galatians 5:16-25; Romans 8:14