

Message Notes | Identity

Part 2: Child of God

Romans 8:14-17

→ voices that speak into our identity and value

#1 Your _____ and _____ are affected by who you _____.

→ God determines your value and identity - **Psalm 139:13,16**

→ contractual relationship leads to fear - **vs. 14-15**

→ familial relationship leads to undeserved blessing-**vs. 14-15**

#2 You are a _____.

→ an unbelievable relationship - **Mt 6:9, vs. 15**

#3 Our identity as _____ came through _____.

→ the price for adoption - **Galatians 4:4-5, vs. 16-17**

As God's child:

#4 You are _____ of _____.

You can _____ God in _____ and in _____.

Group Questions | Identity

Part 2: Child of God

Romans 8:14-17

1. Who labeled you during your formative years and how did those labels impact your childhood?

Have those adolescent labels impacted you as an adult?

2. Why do you think younger generations are turning inward for a sense of identity?

What are the dangers that come with that type of thinking?

3. **Read Psalm 139:13-16.** How do these verses speak to the question of who has the right determine our identity. (If possible, refer to specific verses in your answer.)

4. **Read Romans 8:14-17.** In verse 15, Paul contrasts a slave/master relationship with a child/Father relationship. What are the characteristics of each.

How does this shape our view of God and ourselves?

5. Paul describes our relationship with God as an "adoption to sonship." Share at least three reasons that Paul would use the word, "adoption."
6. In what ways does understanding our identity as a child of God influence our lives.
7. What are some obstacles or lies that can make us doubt our identity as children of God? How can we combat these doubts with the truth of Scripture?

Message Notes | Identity

Part 2: Child of God

Romans 8:14-17

→ voices that speak into our identity and value

#1 Your identity and value are affected by who you listen to.

→ God determines your value and identity - **Psalm 139:13,16**

→ contractual relationship leads to fear - **vs. 14-15**

→ familial relationship leads to undeserved blessing-**vs. 14-15**

#2 You are a child of God.

→ an unbelievable relationship - **Mt 6:9, vs. 15**

#3 Our identity as child of God came through adoption.

→ the price for adoption - **Galatians 4:4-5, vs. 16-17**

As God's child:

#4 You are heirs of eternal life.

You can trust God in blessing and in suffering.

Bible Readings for Today

Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." ¹⁶The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

