



# Weekly Devotion

## Weekly Devotion for April 15 Adopted Family

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*“...he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will”*  
— **Ephesians 1:5**

Do you have a family? Fear not, you are always part of a family.

My brother was four months old when he went home to his new parents. Three years later, I was just three days old when my new mother and father brought me home. From then on, I was always told I was adopted. My brother and I had similar hair color and skin tone. People said, “You look like your brother, and also your mother.” We would smile and nod.

Not only was I adopted into a family, but later in life, I learned God also adopted me. I was one of God’s children and knew I would always be loved and cherished. Knowing you are part of a family, as well as God’s child, can give you strength and knowledge that you will never be alone. With God as your father and His love, all things are possible.

Being blood-related doesn’t mean much to me. Family is those who support and love you. I have many brothers and sisters, as I belong to different clubs, and the Desert Hills Lutheran Church is a big part of my family. They are my adopted family.

Journaling:

Who have you adopted into your family?

Knowing God is your adopted father, how does that give you comfort?

