

SERMON BASED LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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FOR STARTERS:

1. What does being a child of God mean to you?
2. How do you know that the Holy Spirit is present in your life?

MAIN SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:14-39

LET'S TALK:

1. Tell of some time when you have tried to uphold rules vs simply accepting that you are a child of God?
2. Besides the Holy Spirit, Who intercedes for us? What does this tell you about Christ's care for us?
3. Hope is talked about more than 100 times in the Bible. Why do you think it is mentioned so often?

DIG DEEPER THROUGH SCRIPTURE:

1. Romans 8:26 tells us that the Holy Spirit helps us pray. What are situations that you find make it hard for you to pray? Do these times bring you closer to God or push you further from God?
2. Romans 8:15 refers to God as Abba which some translate as daddy or Father. Do you think the term Abba would draw people closer to God or would people feel like this term does not show proper reverence or respect for God?
3. Read verses 38 & 39. If you, like Paul are convinced of these things, what effect will this knowledge have on your life?

MAKE IT PERSONAL:

1. Have you experienced circumstances where you did not immediately see God's work in your life?
2. How does recognizing others as children of God affect how we interact with them?

NEXT STEPS:

1. How can you show others that you are a child of God?
2. Look for ways to show others God's love and acceptance this week.

