
Galatians, Week 13 Small Group Questions

Aaron Jayne - July 28 & 29, 2018

How Do I Make it Work?

- Is adoption something you experience as well as understand? How can you meditate on the Son's work more, and ask the Spirit to work on your heart as well as your head?

- When are you most in danger of living as a slave and not a son? How would you describe the difference?

- As a small group, what are ways we can hold each other accountable to Scripture meditation for the incredible, life-giving benefits it brings without it becoming legalistic and deadening the results?

21 Days of Prayer — August 5-25, 2018
Monday - Friday 6:30 am – Saturdays 9:00 am
*Saturdays w/childcare

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(Galatians 4:1-7) What I am saying is that as long as an heir is underage, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world. But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

1. God Sent _____.

(Galatians 3:29) If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

WHY? We had _____ and not _____.

(2 Corinthians 5:21) God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2. God Sent _____.

✓ The work of the Son brings us an _____
_____ that is ours whether _____.

✓ The Spirit brings us a _____.

(Luke 15:18-19) I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.'

(1 John 3:1) See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

(Luke 15:20) So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

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“Abba, Father”

- ✓ Prayer is no longer _____,
but filled with _____.
- ✓ “Abba” assures us we are _____
_____.

How do we “Cry Out?”

1. _____ on the Word.

(Psalm 1:2-3) but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.

2. _____ in Worship.

(Psalm 63:2-5) I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

3. _____ to Prayer.

(Romans 12:12) Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer

What is the Holy Spirit Saying to Me?

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A Little About Me

- What has most excited you so far in this study of Galatians and why?

What Else Does the Bible Say?

- Read Romans 8:14-17, where Paul’s parallel writing on the Spirit enables us to cry out “Abba, Father.” What additional meaning or richness does this passage add to what we studied in Galatians 4?

- Luke 5:16 says, “But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.” Why do you think prayer was important enough for Jesus to prioritize times to do it? With Jesus, being perfect and without sin, staying faithful to prayer, how much more would you say developing a faithfulness to prayer is for us?

- Read 1 Timothy 2:8, Psalm 134:2 and 1 Kings 8 (noting the position of Solomon’s hands throughout prayer and worship at different times). Why do you think worship and prayer with hands raised is so difficult for many? What spiritual release do you think is possible for people who can abandon self-consciousness in worship and cross the line of being able to lift up their hands?
