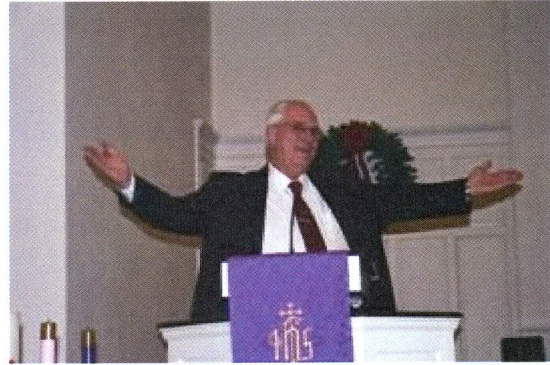


"Whose son are you, young man?" Saul asked him. David said, "I am the son of your servant Jesse of Bethlehem." [1st Samuel 17:58](#)



"Whose child are you?" When I was a child, if you were asked that question you might be afraid that someone was going to "tell on you" for something that you did. In the text above, David had slain Goliath, and the king wanted to know whose son he was.

Knowing our heritage helps us know who we are. There was a time that I skipped over the "begat" sections of the Bible, but now I find it interesting: "Jesse begat David the king. And David begat Solomon." We follow that list all the way to the birth of Jesus.

There is a lot of discouragement these days. Troubles come in bunches, life gets tangled in a web we did not see, friends betray friends, prayers go seemingly unanswered, and those who serve the Lord get mired down in the swamp of it all.

That is why it is of utmost importance that we can answer the question, "Whose son or daughter are you?" When we know without hesitation who our Father is, then we know who we are. **Friend, you are a child of God, and you can face any giant that is in your path today!** Don't give up, just know that you are a child of the King. Your Father owns the cattle on a thousand hills; in His house there is bread and enough to spare. Know that when you have done the best you can, and your friends misunderstand; your Father knows all about it and stands by you.

If you are a discouraged child of God, spend some time with Our Father today. He will put back in you a fresh supply of the life this world has drained from you.

Grace and Peace, Rev Ray