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ADOPTION

Important Definition

Adoption: An act of God in which he makes us _____.

Adoption in the Bible:

- **Eph 2.1-3:** *[You were once] _____ of disobedience . . . and were by nature _____ of wrath.*
- **Eph 1.5:** *[God] predestined us for _____ as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will.*
- **John 1.12:** *But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become _____.*
- **Gal 4.4-5:** *God sent forth his Son . . . to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive _____.*
- **1 John 3.1:** *See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called _____; and so we are.*
- **Romans 8.15-17:** *“But you have received the Spirit of _____, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and _____ with Christ.*
- **Rom 8.23:** *We wait eagerly for _____, the redemption of our bodies.*

About Adoption . . .

- All God’s children are _____ children.
- All God’s adopted children come into his family through _____.
- God adopting us as his children is so much more than God _____.
- God adopting us will be final when our _____.

In God’s Family Membership Has Its Privileges

- God becomes _____.
- Jesus becomes _____.
- The Holy Spirit becomes _____.
- The church becomes _____.

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STUDY QUESTIONS

These questions are meant to be done by yourself or together with a family member or friend, then discussed at your small group during the week.

1. Review the Bible verses about adoption on your handout. What are some things you learn about adoption in these verses?

2. Pick one of these verses about adoption and write it out below.

3. Look back over the privileges of being part of God's family. Had you thought of these as automatically being yours because you are a Christian?

How can those who have unloving earthly fathers benefit from this teaching on adoption?

4. How have you been blessed by belonging to the family that is God's church?

As a group, spend time in prayer asking Jesus to bless this series of studies and bring you to a deeper understanding and appreciation for your salvation in Jesus.