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1 Peter 2:10; 1 John 3:1; Galatians 4:5-7; Ephesians 1:5

BIBLE VERSE: ROMANS 8:14-16

“For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.”

BIG IDEAS

- Adoption is made possible through the Son.
- The Spirit is proof of adoption.
- Children of God live for the Father.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ROMANS 8:12-17

UNITE - I AM PART OF A FAMILY

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- Family exists for God.
- Their heart was bought with a price.
- God is building His family through adoption.



Every student should feel...

- Broken over the ways that sin has fractured their family and the family of God.
- Hope that one day, their adoption as sons and daughters of God will be fully realized



Every student should strive to...

- Memorize Romans 8.
- Do one new thing each week to honor their parents or siblings.
- Find one new way to love and serve their church family.



Every student should want...

- To glorify God in their families.
- To see their family, and the church family, as gifts from God.
- To share the truth that Jesus made our adoption possible with someone

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder who to discuss with our son or daughter what it means to be adopted into God’s family. We will pray with them to understand better what it means to live for God the Father. We will lead them to live daily for the Father.

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Read and meditate on Romans 8:12-17 this week.

As you read these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you model living daily for the Father? How can you help your child understand what it means to be adopted into God's family?
- What are some wrong ideas you've had that you can share with your child to help them identify their own wrong ideas about God the Father?

Consider ways to help your son or daughter identify areas of disobedience in their lives.

- How can you share some of your own struggles with obedience to help them obey better?



Set aside time to pray for your son or daughter every day this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to guide them to a greater understanding that God is their Father.
- Pray with your student this week. As you pray with them, model praying for a heart that seeks to obey God the Father.



Read through Romans 8:12-17 with your son or daughter.

- Help them define what it means to be adopted into God's family. Talk through what it means to be co-heirs with Jesus and how they can practically live for the Father this week.
- Discuss with your student ways that you seek to live for the Father. Help your student think of at least two practical ways that he or she can live for the Father this week.