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BIG TRUTH: WE ARE NO LONGER SLAVES; WE ARE CHILDREN OF GOD

Galatians 4:7; Ephesians 2:19; 3:6; 1 John 3:1; Philippians 2:15

BIBLE VERSE: ROMANS 8:15-17

"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, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him."

BIG IDEAS

- We are more than servants or conquerors; we are family.
- In Jesus, nothing can separate us from God.
- Nothing compares to being in the family of God.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ROMANS 8:15-39

TRANSFORM - I AM IN CHRIST

The Transform Year is an exploration of what it means to become a "new creation" in Jesus. (2 Corinthians 5:17) In order for this to happen, we must first find our identity in Him. Many of us live in a consistent state of identity crises. We wrestle with questions like who am I, where do I belong, why do I exist? The answer to these questions is found in Jesus. Our prayer for this semester is that like the Apostle Paul we would be able to say, "I have been crucified with Christ, it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Galatians 2:20).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- God is the vine, and they are a branch.



Every student should feel...

- Insufficient and inadequate at their inability to meet their own needs, while at the same time thankful and overwhelmed by an all-sufficient Savior who satisfies.



Every student should strive to...

- Memorize Gal 2:20, read and meditate on John 15:1-15, and pursue an abiding relationship with Jesus together with leaders and others in their church.



Every student should want to...

- Abide in Jesus and to aim higher in their personal pursuit of Him.

FAMILY WORKOUT

In order for us to fully live, we must die to ourselves. This week we will help our son or daughter consider what it means to die to ourselves and we will pray for greater understanding of the ways that we need to deny ourselves. We will practice living a crucified life for Christ.

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Meditate upon Romans 8:15-39 this week.

- Read these Scriptures every day and reflect upon what they mean for you personally.
- Consider how you can share with your child what it means to be adopted into God's family and the significance of being God's child.

Consider the ways you've thought wrongly about God as Father and how you need to change your habits and thoughts to better reflect the truth about God.



Spend time each day this week seeking God through prayer.

- Pray specifically for wisdom and understanding about what it means to be a child of God.
- Pray for understanding about the freedom you have through Christ over your sin.
- Confess your sin to the Lord in prayer and repent.

Set aside time each day to pray as a family that God would help your family live in the truth of God as the Father.

- Use this opportunity to share with your child what it means to daily confess and repent of our sins and how this reflects the work of God the Father in our lives.



Choose a day this week to share a particular sin or temptation to sin that you have had freedom over with your child.

- Remind your child that this freedom is possible through a relationship with Jesus.
- Choose a person to share the gospel with this week and allow your child to see you preparing to share the gospel and then share with your child about your conversation when you shared the gospel.