Living Free

Sons and Daughters Message 7

> Mark Taylor July 28, 2019

## Outline

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him;

Psalm 103:13 (NIV)

## A. For many of us, life is like...

Living in \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Galatians 3:23. C/R: Psalm 107:10-16; Isaiah 61:1-7)

## B. Others are...

Living out of \_\_\_\_\_

and \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Galatians 3:24; 4:1-3. C/R: Psalm 127:1-2; Hosea 6:4-6; 2 Corinthians 9:7) C. God invites us to...

Live as His \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (Galatians 3:25-26; 4:4-7. C/R: John 1:12; Romans 8:14-17; 2 Corinthians 6:18; 1 John 3:1-3)

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Abba's Child, Brennan Manning Walking with God, John Eldredge Return of the Prodigal Son, Henri Nouwen Leaving Egypt: Finding God in the Wilderness Places, Chuck DeGroat Knowing God, J. I. Packer

Answers: A. prison B. duty, obligation C. sons, daughters

**Resource Information:** Unless otherwise noted, Scripture verses are from the *Holy Bible*, New Living Translation (NLT). C/R refers to a 'cross reference.' Today's outline and discussion guide are available through the Brookwood Church app.

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# Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God. Check out other Bible study tools at <u>biblegateway.com</u>, <u>biblestudytools.com</u> or <u>blueletterbible.org</u>.

#### **Conversation Starter**

I feel loved when \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Opening in Prayer**

Spend a few minutes in silence asking God to guide your time in the Bible.

#### **Personal Reflection/Group Discussion**

**Galatians** was written by the apostle Paul to several early Christian communities in the province of Galatia, which is modern-day Turkey (see <u>Acts 13-14</u>). In this letter, Paul addresses how these young Christians were being misled and missing out on the true freedom found only in the *Good News* of Jesus Christ.

#### Read Galatians 3:23-4:7.

- 1. What was life like for God's people before Jesus came?
- 2. What do you learn about the purpose of God's law from this passage?
- 3. What are ways you try to make God happy with you?
- 4. If someone asked you how to develop intimacy with God, what would you tell them?
- 5. What does it mean to be united with Christ in baptism?
- 6. <u>Galatians 4:6</u> tells us if you're a follower of Christ, then the Spirit of God lives in you. What does that mean to you personally?

- 7. If you're a child of God, how do you think God views you?
- 8. What does it look like in everyday life to live as a child of God?
- 9. In general do you feel like God provides for you or He's holding back? Explain.
- 10. What Bible verse or truth from this week's teaching means the most to you? Why?

### Soul Training

Read <u>Psalm 103</u> several times this week. Write down what this Psalm teaches you about yourself and about God. Spend time talking with God about what you're seeing and learning.

#### **Memory Verse**

... I will be a Father to you, and you will be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty. <u>2 Corinthians 6:18 (NIV)</u>

## **Daily Reading**

Day 1: <u>Isaiah 61:1-7</u>	Day 4: <u>Romans 8:14-17</u>
Day 2: <u>1 John 3:1-3</u>	Day 5: Galatians 4:1-7
Day 3: <u>Hosea 6:1-6</u>	

#### **Prepare for Next Sunday**

We'll continue our *Living Free* series on **Galatians** with a message titled SPIRITUAL SLAVERY. To prepare read <u>Galatians 4:8-20</u>.



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