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God's Adopted Children

Galatians 3:26-4:7

(Billy's story)

Perhaps most of us cannot relate to Billy's story in a natural sense because we did not grow up in a family where we were adopted.

Billy's story is the story of every one of us who have come to God by faith in Jesus Christ. God loved us so much that He adopted unworthy orphans like you and me into His family.

This is the message Paul is conveying to the Galatian Christians as he continues to build his case concerning their spiritual H_____.

The Judaizers were misleading the Galatians to believe that they became a part of the family of God on the basis of M_____ and nationalistic heritage.

I. Our Identity (verse 26)

1. We Have the Same P_____

If you are going to be connected to the Father, you have to be connected to the Son, and those of us who are connected to the Son have the same Father. (John 1:1)

2. We Have the Same Participation in Christ (v27)

Paul uses two wonderful metaphors to describe our common participation in Christ.

He says we are “baptized into Christ”, and he says that we have “put on Christ.”

3. We Have the Same P_____ (v28)

- **In terms of R_____**
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II. An Illustration (v29)

His illustration makes three simple points. It tells us:

- 1. How Sons Were the Same as Slaves (v4:1-3)**
- 2. How Slaves Become Sons (v4-5)**
- 3. How Sons Enjoy the Full R_____ of the Family (v6-7)**