

WRITE IT DOWN!

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LISTEN UP!

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I. Who We Are Now in Christ, by Faith . . . (3:26-29)

1. We are all _____ = a place in _____

2. We are all _____ = our place in a _____

3. We are all _____ = our place in _____

II. How It Happened . . . (4:1-7)

1. God sent His Son into _____ to _____ for us (4:4-5)

A. Who?

- A _____ Savior: *His Son*
- A _____ Savior: *born of a woman*
- A _____ Savior: *born under the law*

B. For What?

- For _____: to rescue us from slavery
- For _____: to make slaves into sons

2. God sent His Spirit into _____ to _____ in us (4:6-7)

A. Why?: *because we are sons*

B. For What?: *into our hearts crying "Abba! Father!"*

C. How?: *through God*

THINK IT OVER!

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1. Read Galatians 3:26-4:7 again. What themes and key words “pop” out at you? What words have you heard before in our Galatians study?
2. According to 3:26 who do we become and how do we become it? Who are we before we become it according to 4:7?
3. What special relevance would 3:28 have had there in the Galatian churches? From our early studies, what do we know was going on there? (If you’ve forgotten, go back and read chapter 2 again!)
4. Who is the seed of Abraham according to 3:29? Isn’t that in conflict with what we saw in 3:16? How do you put these two ideas together?
5. In 4:1-7, what two things has God “sent forth”? Where is each sent? For what purpose is each sent?
6. What three qualifications did our Savior have and why were they necessary?

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1. What was new and most challenging for you in the text/message this week and why?
2. Why are we so “ho-hum” when we hear these magnificent truths from God’s Word?
3. If you are really a “son of God” and you really “got” that, what difference would/should that make in your life?
4. If we really are “one in Christ” and there is no distinction and we really “got” that, what difference would/should that make in our life together?
5. Do you sense that you’re a child of God? Do you sense that Spirit assurance of your adoption? If not, what do you do with that?
6. Share your experience of the Lord’s table this last Sunday? Was anything different for you this week? Do you meditate and reflect on these truths as you take the bread and cup?