

# Romans 8: Adopted by God

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For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by Him we cry, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in His sufferings in order that we may also share in His glory.

Romans 8:14-17 NIV

## A child of God...

- confesses sin easily
- lives in freedom, not fear
- values relational intimacy with God
- knows the benefit package
- brings their pain to God

## REFLECTION QUESTION

1. What is blocking you from having more intimacy with God?
2. Of the five signs of being a child of God, which one ministered to you the most, and why?