



No Longer Slaves but Children of God

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What is one adjective your children might use to describe you? What word would you use to describe your father?

How has your picture of God changed through your life? What influenced this change?

Read Ephesians 2:8-9

“There’s nothing you can do to make God love you more. There's nothing you can do to make God love you less.” Do you agree with Phillip Yancy’s statement? Why is it so tempting for us to feel like we need to earn God’s love?

Read Galatians 1:6 and 3:26

What do you think of this Timothy Keller quote: “It is not the strength of your faith but the object of your faith that actually saves you. Strong faith in a weak branch is fatally inferior to weak faith in a strong branch.” Do you ever feel like your faith is too weak for your present struggle? How can this truth encourage you?

Read Galatians 4:4-5, Galatians 4:6-7 and Galatians 5:1

What does it mean that we are not just made in the image of God but that as believers, we are God’s children? How does what you believe about God influence how you relate to him?

Ted gave us five aspects of a blessing. (meaningful touch, spoken message, attaching high value, picturing a special future, active commitment). What does each component communicate to the person receiving the blessing? Who could you share a blessing with this week?

End your time praying that you will follow through with blessing someone this week keeping in mind that you can help influence how they see God.

Discussion Questions