

## **2.23.20 - Galatians - Christian**

### Leader Prep Section

- Prepare by reading through the questions and scripture passage so that you can select a **few** questions that are best suited to your group.
- Try to work through at least one question from each of the sections - Hook, Book, Look, Took in order to move from observation to application.
- When possible spend time in prayer for each member of your group.

### **Hook** - Ice breaker type questions to help make the transition into the study time.

- What are some things that stood out to you from Sunday's sermon?
- Have you experienced adoption in your family or in a friend's family? What was it like? How did it affect the different participants?

### Background / Reading

#### **Galatians 3:23- 4:7**

### **Book** - These questions are designed to get you into the text itself.

- What do the verses say about 'the law' versus faith?
- What is the significance of the role of the "guardian" in this culture? How does Paul use it to help explain the relationship the Galatians had with the law before Christ came?
- What is the inheritance that the heirs of Christ will receive?
- How do you see the Trinity at work in 4:1 – 7? What does each member of the Trinity do?
- Why do you think Paul chose the metaphor of adoption to describe what happens when we trust in Jesus?

### **Look** - These questions will take you on a deeper look at what the passage means for us today.

- Christian mentioned three implications for what it practically means that Paul says that we are God's children and heirs. Which of these stands out to you and why?
  1. As Believers, we are one family
  2. We have total and unlimited access to God
  3. God is for us
- Can you think of a modern metaphor Paul might use to describe living under the law (like the "guardian" or "pedagogue"), if he were writing in our culture today?
- Christian talked about his relationship with his pets and how that reflects God's relationship with us as His children. Did that resonate with you or help you to understand God in a different way? Why or why not?
- What difference does it make in someone's life if they deep in their bones believe they are an adopted child of God?

### **Took** - These questions are focused on applying the big idea from the text to our lives.

- How do you respond to the idea that not only do you know God but are known by God? Do you find it comforting? Challenging? Unsettling? Cheering?
- What is one way God is inviting you to accept His inheritance right now, in your everyday life? In other words, how can you live more as if you are God's kid and he is your dad?
- What does it look like to run to God to be loved? What keeps you from doing that?

**Pray**