Series: Free In Christ <u>Title</u>: Adoption <u>Text</u>: (Gal 4:1-11)

A. <u>Definition</u>:

- B. <u>The Biblical use of the word</u> *We are the Sons of God* (1 John 3:1) *What we shall be.* (1 John 3:2)
- C. <u>How adoption became available</u> *Regeneration & Adoption* possible: (Rom 8:15-16)

In Romans, Adoption is used in 3 different ways. (Rom 8:15-16) The conscientiousness of Sonship. (Rom 8:23) (Rom 9:4)(Gal 4:5; Eph 1:5)

The Holy Spirit tells him that it is so. (Rom 8:16) (Gal 4:4-6)

D. <u>The privileges of Adoption</u>: (1 John 4:9-10)

The Believer now has a Father that Cares for him. (1 Pet 5:7) (Ps 55:22)

The Believer has a Father that Protects him. (Rom 8:31)

The Believer has a Father that Corrects us.

(Heb 12:5-11) (Heb 12:10)

The Believer has the promise that HE will never leave us or forsake us. (Heb 13:5-6) (Ps 118:6) (Eph 2:19)

Privileged to be No more strangers or foreigners: (Eph 2:19-22)

Privileged to be Heir of God & Joint with Jesus Christ. (Rom 8:17)

Privileged to have the Spirit of Adoption: (Rom 8:15-16)

Privileged to be Raised from the Dead & given a <u>New Body</u>: (Rom 8:11) (1 Cor 15:51-52)

Either way, we shall all be changed. (Phil 3:21) *Jesus will change our bodies*: (1 Thes 4:13-17)

Privileged to be Predestinated to be Conformed into the image of His Son, & promised to Openly to Reveal the Believer as His Son/Daughter. (Rom 8:29) ... Many brethren..

Adoption was God's Plan for Us! (Eph 1:5)

1. *Adoption of children by Jesus Christ* This is why Jesus left heaven

Jesus is the door, or the medium for our privileges.

2. According to the good pleasure of his will,

Why did He Adopt us, because it was according to His pleasure.

We are privileged because God wanted to surround Himself with redeemed Son's & Daughters that were conformed to the Image of His Son Jesus!

E. The Final Adoption Even though we are fully God's child, God has not yet fully revealed us as such. (1 John 3:1-3)

Even though we are fully God's Child, However, The first fruits of the Spirit is a guarantee that HE will.

(Rom 8:23) (1 Cor 15:35-58) (2 Cor 5:1-5)