




**January Bible Study Series:
Walking With God**

To walk with God means **that you and
God agree about your life.**

**Amos 3:3, Can two walk together,
except they be agreed?**




**“We Are Not All God’s
Children.”**



**Galatians 3:26, For you are all sons
of God through faith in Christ Jesus.**



**Lesson Two:
WALKING AS A SON**



**To walk as a son means to walk
in the awareness of WHO you are
and WHOSE you are.**

**I John 3:1, How great is the love
the Father has lavished on us, that
we should be called children of God!
And that is what we are.**

We Were Made Sons

Romans 8:15-16, For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by Him we cry, 'Abba, Father'. The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.



Four Different Aspects In Your Life That Radically Changed:

- **Identity** – I Peter 2:10, Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God.
- **Status** – Ephesians 2:1-2, And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience.”

- **Position** – **Ephesians 2:3**, Among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.
- **Relationship** – As slave to sin you lived in anxiety and dreadful fear for God, but as child of God you are drawn in the closest and most intimate personal relationship possible with God. You not only have the identity, status, and position, but also the heart of a son!

We Have Received the Spirit of Sonship

Ephesians 1:13-14, Because you, too, have heard the word of truth—the good news of your salvation—and because you believed in the One who is truth, your lives are marked with His seal. This is none other than the Holy Spirit who was promised as the guarantee toward the inheritance we are to receive when He frees and rescues all who belong to Him. To God be all praise and glory!

We Have the Spirit of God's Son

Galatians 4:6, Because you are now part of God's family, He sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts; and the Spirit calls out, "Abba, Father."

Romans 8:15, For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.”

“Abba, Father”


Abba is a term of endearment, intimacy, and close relationship, on the one hand and obedience on the other hand.

Mark 14:35-36, “He went a little farther, and fell on the ground, and prayed that if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. And He said, “Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will.”



Two Elements of Abba:

1. Intimacy
2. Obedience



The depth of the relationship that Jesus had with His Father has now been opened to us through the Holy Spirit - The Spirit of God's Son.

Ephesians 2:18, For through Him [Jesus] we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.” Through the Holy Spirit, our lives have been linked with the life of God's Son.

We Have Been Made Heirs

Romans 8:17, Now if we are children, then we are heirs - heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ.

Galatians 4:7, Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.”

What is an Heir?

An heir is “someone who has been appointed to receive an inheritance.” An heir is a person who receives something of value from a father. The Bible sometimes uses the word heir to describe us as recipients of a gift from God. We are “heirs” of God, and Christ is our “co-heir”

1. If we are God's children, then we are also God's heirs.
2. If we are God's heirs, then we are also joint heirs with Christ.

Christ's Inheritance

- A Superior Name (Jesus) Phil.2:8-10)
- Heaven and Earth (Colossians 1:15-20)
 - The Kingdom (Matthew 25:34)
 - Us (1 Peter 2:9-10)



Luke 15:11-32
Parable Of Two Sons
Two Misconceptions

SONSHIP:

- **Relationship** - "You are always with me"
- **Heirship** - "Everything I have is yours"



“Heaven is our reward, not
our consolation prize.”



Story

The Poor Woman and the Preacher



An inheritance has no value
unless it is known and acted on.

I John 3:2, Dear friends, now we are the children of God, and what we will has not yet been made known. But we know that when [Jesus] appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.



**“The Kingdom Is Not About What
You Do, It Is About Who You Are.”**

Bible Study Chat Questions:

- 1. What was your greatest takeaway from tonight's lesson?**
- 2. Some people can look and act like a child of God. How is this possible?**
- 3. What makes someone a child of God?**
- 4. Why is it important to see yourself the way God sees you?**
- 5. When you call God "Abba, Father," what does this mean to you?**

6. How does your relationship with God influence your life?

7. As sons of God, we went from owning nothing to owning everything. How is this possible?

8. Building eternal wealth in heaven is a far better investment than building material wealth here on earth. How so?