Galatians 3:26-4:20

What happens when someone is adopted? Why is it such a valuable gift to offer?

RECAP: "If we want to understand why being a Christian is a privilege, we need to appreciate divine adoption." – Tim Keller. What does this missing relational aspect in the Galatian gospel help us understand where they have been going wrong?

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Read Galatians 3:26-4:7

- 1. What has Jesus done for us, according to v26?
- 2. What are the implications for this in v28-29? What might this look like in practice?
- 3. What status change has been affected in us? (4:1-7)

Read Galatians 4:8-20

- 4. What would turning back mean for the Galatian's freedom in Christ?
- 5. How has their behaviour towards Paul changed? Why?
- 6. Why is zeal without truth incredibly dangerous?

Make it real

- 1. What does it mean that we are adopted to become children of God?
- 2. What would v28-29 of chapter 3 look like in our church?
- 3. In what ways might we be tempted to turn back to slavery?

Prayer ideas

- Praise God for the simple truth of adoption as his children
- Pray for his help to rely on his promise, and not our outward responses to it.
- Share needs for prayer around the group.
- Pray that we would be able to physically gather again soon.