



# Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

## You Are No Longer A Slave, But God's Child

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#### Galatians 4:4-7(NIV)

<sup>4</sup> But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. <sup>6</sup> Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." <sup>7</sup> So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

1. Virtually all cultures esteem the relationship between a parent and child. What are some things that make that relationship special?
2. List some things that happened before Jesus was born that made his birth come at just the right time. (v. 4)
3. Paul describes Jesus' work very completely. What are some reasons it was important for Jesus to be God's Son? (v. 4)
4. What comfort can you have from knowing Jesus was "*born of a woman*" just like you were? (v. 4)
5. List some ways your relationship with God's law (his rules) changed because of Jesus' relationship with God's law. (v. 4-5)
6. What are some similarities between your relationship to God and an adopted child's relationship to their parents? (v. 5)
7. Having the Spirit in our hearts allows us to call God "Abba, Father" (v. 6). List some other ways of viewing gods (in Christianity or in other religions) and say why "Father" is better.
8. What is different about the way a slave listens to a master and the way a son listens to a father? What is different about the way a slave talks to a master and the way a son talks to a father? Which is closer to your relationship with God?
9. List some ways being an heir of eternal life can help you handle whatever this week throws at you.
10. Each person say which portion of Galatians 4:4-7 they like best and explain why.