

Romans 8:14-17
Our Father

1. Introduction

- a. Context of Romans 8
- b. Big question: Who are we?
- c. *“One of the most beautiful and rich theological concepts of the Scripture is this theme of adoption.” – John MacArthur*

2. The evidence of being a child of God (v. 14)

- a. *“all who are led by the Spirit of God.”*
- b. Sanctification: Growing in Christ-likeness
- c. App- Do you hate your sin? Are you fighting it?

3. The life of a child of God (v. 15)

- a. We don't live like slaves
- b. We live like sons

4. The assurance of being a child of God (v. 16)

- a. *“The Spirit Himself bears witness...”*

5. The inheritance of being a child of God (v. 17a)

- a. *“heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ”*

6. The cost of being a child of God (v. 17b)

- a. *“provided we suffer with Him...”*
- b. *Luke 9:23- “If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me.”*

7. Invitation

- a. *“But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.” John 1:12-13*
- b. Responding to the big question of: Who are we?