

# ***Freedom of Grace!***

*Celebrate Summer Series: Coming Home to Grace*

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*John 8:31–32 ESV*

## **I Realize the Blessings of Grace When I Choose to Live as an Adult in Christ!**

### **I. Am I A Child? (in Christ)**

#### **- The \_\_\_\_\_ of Childhood**

*“I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father.”*

*Galatians 4:1–2 ESV*

#### **- How I \_\_\_\_\_ Determines if I Am a Child**

*“In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.”*

*Galatians 4:3 ESV*

#### **Elementary Principles are Living for \_\_\_\_\_**

*“See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.”*

*Colossians 2:8 ESV*

\_\_\_\_\_ - a belief or system of philosophical beliefs accepted as authoritative by some group or school.

\_\_\_\_\_ - devoid of significance, point, or benefit. devoid of significance, point, or benefit. Causing someone to believe an untruth.

\_\_\_\_\_ - a specific practice (of long standing) handed down from respected authorities.

*“But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more?”*

*Galatians 4:9 ESV*

#### **- Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_**

*“You observe days and months and seasons and years!”*

*Galatians 4:10 ESV*

#### **Take a Spiritual Assessment**

*(Galatians 5:16-21)*

*“But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.”*

*Galatians 5:16 ESV*

## II. Am I A Child? (in Christ)

### - The Law Served a \_\_\_\_\_

*“What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.””*  
Romans 7:7 ESV

### - \_\_\_\_\_ Changed Everything

*“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.”*  
Galatians 4:4-5 ESV

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.”*  
John 6:47 ESV

*“because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.”*  
Romans 10:9–10 ESV

*“But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.”*  
Romans 7:6 ESV

### - Three \_\_\_\_\_ of Adulthood in Jesus

All \_\_\_\_\_ (Adoption) - “so that we might receive adoption as sons” Galatians 4:5c ESV

**Indwelling** \_\_\_\_\_ **of God (Holy Spirit)** - “And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!””  
Galatians 4:6 ESV

**We Gain** \_\_\_\_\_ **Help (Holy Spirit)** - “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.”  
Romans 8:26 ESV

### Take a Spiritual Assessment

(Galatians 5:22-24)

*“And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.”*  
Galatians 5:24 ESV

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