

Working With Identity

Bible Study

Read John 1:11-13;

- How do we become God's child?

Read Romans 8:14-15, 31-39

- What does it mean to be God's child?
- How does the experience of being God's child relate to our daily work experience?

Read 1 Peter 2:9-10

- How does Peter describe what it is to be a child of God?
- What difference does Peter describe it will make at work to be part of God's chosen people and royal priesthood?

Personal Reflection

- Have you accepted the free gift of adoption as God's dearly loved child?
 - if you answer 'not yet', how do you receive that identity?
 - if yes, what difference does it make to your daily life?

John Chapter 1

11 [Jesus] came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Romans Chapter 8

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

34 Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,[b] neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord..

1 Peter Chapter 2

9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.