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"Abba Father" Sun Oct 6, 2024

Ι. Romans 8:14-17

- A. The Worldly Perspective (Ungodly and Godly)
 - 1. God is on His Throne Judging the world through trials, trouble, and harm.
 - 2. God is on His Throne Testing His people to Make Them Trust Him better.
- B. The Biblical Perspective
 - 1. "For God so loved the world, that He gave..."
 - 2. Matthew 7:11 "If you being evil know how to give good gifts to your children..."
- C. Abba
 - 1. It is an Aramaic term that expresses affection and trust between a father and a child. It is one of the most significant names of God in understanding how He relates to His people. "Abba" signifies the close, intimate relationship between the two....simply, "Daddy"!
 - 2. Only 3 times it is mentioned and with great significance:
 - Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (*Mark 14:36*)
 - Romans 8:15 & Galatians 4:5-6 The Spirit of Adoption (Psalm 27:10)
- П. Servant or Child? (So significant on how we communicate with God...not to Him).

A. Galatians 4:5-7

- 1. *Heir Inheritor or Possessor /* If you are named in a will, you are legally entitled to inherit something (property, money, business or title). In a monarchy, the king's oldest son becomes heir to the throne when the king dies.
- 2. Have you found the place that was written in the Will like Jesus did concerning your name and your inheritance? Jesus died, but He also rose again to oversee His will in your life....but it's up to you to show up to the Father's table and dine!
- B. What is the difference between a servant and a child?
 - A. A Servant never KNOWS what His Master Wants For Him (John 15:12-15).
 - B. A Servant obeys by command (Just a paycheck), a Child obeys through love.
 - C. A Servant has no inheritance in this life or the next, a Child has both (John **8:35**).
 - D. A Servant prays "If it be thy will...", A Child already knows His Father's Will and Sees it accomplished.
 - E. Servants always brag about what they do, sons and daughters brag about what their Father does.
 - F. Last but not least: Servants are used... "Lord USE me..." / Children are loved... "Abba Father, I want to please you." (What do I need to know and what do I need to do?).