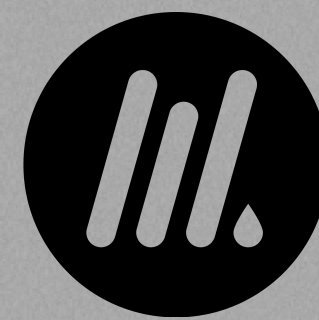


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³ Bless the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! He has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing that comes from heaven. ⁴ God chose us in Christ to be holy and blameless in God's presence before the creation of the world. ⁵ God destined us to be His

adopted children through Jesus Christ because of His love. This was according to His goodwill and plan ⁶ and to honor His glorious grace that He has given to us freely through the Son whom He loves. ⁷ We have been ransomed through His Son's blood,

**and we have and we have forgiveness
for our failures based on His
overflowing grace...**

The **SON** sacrifices,
the **FATHER** adopts,
the **SPIRIT** seals.



4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem (justify, absolve) those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

REDEMPTION
enables **ADOPTION.**





Why should I view
God as **Father**?

Scripture uses “... adoption so that we may clearly understand that the Son of God is unique. For we are the sons of God through His generosity and the condescension of His mercy, where is He is the Son of God by nature, sharing in the same divinity with the Father.”

St. Augustine



Implications of adoption:



2A

Implications of
adoption:

CONFIDENCE.



2B

Implications of
adoption:

**PERFORMANCE
ANXIETY CEASES.**



2C

Implications of
adoption:

**DISCIPLINE
WITHOUT REJECTION.**



2D

Implications of
adoption:

FAMILY.



2E

Implications of
adoption:

INTIMACY.

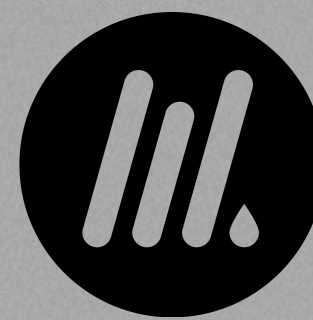


“The **healthy Christian** is not necessarily the extrovert, ebullient (exuberant) Christian, but the Christian who has a sense of God's presence stamped deep on his soul, who trembles at God's Word, who lets it dwell in him richly by constant meditation upon it, and who tests and reforms his life daily in response to it.”

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