

YOUR SONSHIP IN CHRIST THROUGH THE SPIRIT

(Romans 8:14-17)

I. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REVEALED THROUGH HIS GLORIFICATION OF ALL BELIEVERS (8:14-39)

A. THE MULTIPLE BENEFITS OF YOUR SPIRITUAL SONSHIP (8:14-17)

1. Each and every believer in Christ has the blessed opportunity to be _____ by the Holy Spirit. (v. 14a)

* Is there a difference between the Spirit's leading and our following?

2. The Christian's status in God's family is as a "son" (*huios*), which implies adult _____ and _____ only reserved for a son. (v. 14b)

3. Israel received a "*spirit of bondage*" and "*fear*" under the Law, but in contrast, both Jew and Gentile now receives the "*spirit of* _____." (v. 15a)

4. Christianity is not a dry moral code of rules, but it is a _____; the term "*Abba, Father*" is an address that indicates _____ and _____ with our God. (v. 15b)

* How does this conflict with believers who try to be “spiritual” by what they are doing or wearing?

5. The Christian life is lived with the assurance that we are children of God; it is the Holy Spirit who _____ us this _____ through His _____. (v. 16)

6. As certain as you are a _____ of God, you are also a _____ with the Lord Jesus. (v. 17a)

7. The second half of verse 17 is *not* teaching that the Christian’s future glorification is contingent upon his/her suffering in this life.

a. The phrase “*if indeed*” is a first-class conditional sentence in the Greek, and in this case we could translate it as “_____ we _____.”

b. Just as surely as we share in His _____ now, we will also share His _____ in the future.

* How can you personally apply this passage starting today?