

Week 3 (September 25, 2016)

## INTRODUCTION

HELPING PEOPLE MEET AND FOLLOW JESUS. That's our mission statement but what does it mean? What happens when we "meet" Jesus? How do we "follow" Jesus? Invite a friend and join us to find answers to those questions and more beginning Sunday, September 11.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Have you ever had a boss, teacher, coach, etc. that clearly did not have your best interests in mind? What was that like?
- 2. Would you say that you tend to view God more as a boss or a parent? Does that change depending on what's going on in your life?
- 3. Read Galatians 4:1-7. We've been looking at this passage for the past few weeks, but this week, let's read it with just one question in mind: What is the difference between a child and a slave?
- 4. In his book on prayer, Tim Keller notes that for someone to gain an audience with the President of the United States, they typically need to have credentials, have a powerful position, etc. However, the President's children don't need the same credentials because of their relationship with their father. According to what we just read in Galatians, is our relationship to God more like being in his cabinet or being one of his children?
- 5. What would change in how you view yourself and view your life if you really believed and behaved from this day forward that you are not a slave, but rather a child of God?

Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

-Galatians 4:7



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