



Week of November 14, 2021

Discussion Questions:

1. Think of someone from your childhood who you looked to to determine if you were ok (friend, parent, teacher, coach). What measurement did you use to determine that? How did that shape your outlook on life?
2. Now, bring that to your life today. Where are you looking to measure if you're ok? What person, standard, or achievement are you striving for?
3. Think of someone who is seen as successful. Do you think they are content? Why or why not?
4. Read Galatians 4:4-5. Paul said being "born under the law" means we have an innate sense of right and wrong. When we fall short of that standard, how does that create insecurity for us? What is the result of that insecurity in our lives?
5. Read Galatians 4:6. How does our adoption as God's child address the problem of measuring up? Discuss how understanding God as "Abba, Father" help us with our insecurity.
6. Imagine what your life would be like if you got your view of life from the God who made you, who loves you, and who redeemed you. How would you approach

decisions? What would your relationships be like? How would you handle life differently?

Moving Forward

Once you become secure in who you are and whose you are, then you're free to be all God created you to be. You're free to fulfill your potential. You're free to take risks and try things and fail, because failure doesn't define you anymore. It's just an event. It's not your identity. You're free to be honest about all the mess in you and cooperate with God as He changes you.

Galatians 4:4-6

But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, ⁵so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. ⁶Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"