The Blessings of Fellowship with the Father
Galatians 3:25-4:7

Galatians 3:25-4:7

In Christ We Receive the Blessings of...

1. A New Identity (v. 26-27)

“Our sonship to God is the apex of creation…” - S. Ferguson, *Children of the Living God*, p. 6

“Adoption is the highest privilege the gospel offers.” - J.I. Packer, *Knowing God*, p. 206

Ephesians 1:13

2. A New Community (v. 28)

3. A New Inheritance (v. 29-4:7)

Our new inheritance involves 3 privileges...

1) No longer under the Law (v. 29-4:1-2)

2) No longer slaves to sin (v. 3-5)

Romans 8:20-22

John 14:6

“God sent his Son” = Jesus was the Son of God (he lived a perfectly righteous life)

“born of a woman” = Jesus was truly human (he knew our trials and temptations)

As fully God and fully man Jesus death was wholly sufficient to purchase our redemption.

Why did God send the Messiah 2,000 years ago?
The world was prepared...

- Spiritually (Jewish Monotheism)
- Culturally (332 B.C. Koine Greek)
- Politically (63 B.C. Pax Romana)

“when the time had fully come” (Galatians 4:4)

3) Intimate access to our heavenly Father (v. 6-7)