

**Sermon Discussion Questions
January 21, 2018**

**Adopted by God
Romans 8:14-17
Tim Kallam**

Sermon thought: God as "Father" is a defining mark of both the identity of the Christian and the character of God.

1. Tim introduced his sermon with a quote from J.I. Packer that ends with, "'Father' is the Christian name for God." What does Packer mean by this quote?
2. Some people may struggle with the idea of God as Father because of the failings of their own biological father. Read the passages and identify some ways that God is far superior than the worst or even the best biological fathers.
3. Tim defined redemption as purchasing someone out of slavery. How does adoption take that transaction even another step?
4. Many times we say that calling God "Abba, father" is the same as calling him "daddy". How does this way of addressing God help us understand how God relates to us as his children? How would you describe the level of intimacy we have with God as his children?
5. Both Romans and Galatians mention our place as heirs with Christ. What is our inheritance and what is our guarantee for receiving it?