



# A Child of God

**John 1:12 (ESV)**

## The Gospel Of Christ Is The Power That Adopts Us Into His Family

**John 1:1** *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God...<sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.*

## What Does John Chapter 1 Tell Us About Jesus?

1. The person of Jesus... He's God made flesh!
2. The purpose of Jesus... to shine the true light to all mankind
3. The plan of Jesus... to create a family

## What does John 1:12 mean?

1. We have to believe in His name...
  - a. Jesus in Hebrew is **Yehosuah** ...which means **Yahweh is salvation**
  - b. Every time I speak the name "Jesus", I am saying "God is salvation"
2. We have to receive Him
3. As we believe and receive Him, we become His child

## What Does It Mean To Be A Child Of God?

1. Special intimate access

**Ephesians 2:18 (ESV)** *For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.*

2. Special intimate relationship

**Romans 8:16 (ESV)** *The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ...*

3. Special Privilege

**Psalms 55:22 (ESV)** *Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.*

4. Special Opportunity

**Matthew 28:19 (ESV)** *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

## How Do We Respond?

## Are You Living Out Of Your New Identity?