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## Week 1 - Children of the King

Bible Verse: Romans 8:12-17

12 So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— 13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' 16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Introduction:

Have you ever thought about what it means to be part of God's family? In this week's Bible study, we're going to explore an amazing truth - that when we believe in Jesus, we become children of God! This isn't just a nice way of saying we believe in God. It means we actually become part of His family, with all the amazing benefits and responsibilities that come with being a child of the King.

In Romans 8:12-17, the apostle Paul explains this special relationship we have with God. He tells us that God's Spirit helps us live in a new way - not following our selfish desires anymore, but following God's guidance instead. It's like getting a whole new start in life, with God as our loving Father helping us make good choices.

This week, we'll discover what it means to be led by God's Spirit, how we can grow to be more like Jesus, and why we can approach God without fear. Just like a loving parent wants the best for their child, God wants the best for us and gives us His Spirit to help us live as His children. Get ready to explore what it means to be a child of the King!



Day 1 - Study Questions:

1 - What obligation does Paul say we do NOT have?

*Paul tells us we don't have to follow our old sinful habits anymore. When we become Christians, Jesus gives us a fresh start and the freedom to make better choices.*

2 - What does Paul mean by the term "flesh" in this passage?

*When Paul talks about "flesh," he's not talking about our actual skin and muscles. Instead, he means the part of us that wants to do things our own way instead of God's way. Our 'flesh' is like having an inner voice that tries to convince us to be selfish or make ungodly choices.*

3 - In what areas of your life do you find yourself most tempted to "live according to the flesh"?

*Own answer - This is about recognizing times when we're tempted to follow our selfish desires instead of God's way. Maybe it's when we want to be mean to a sibling, lie to get out of trouble, or refuse to share our things. These are moments when we need to remember we're God's children and choose differently.*

4 - What practical difference does it make to be "led by the Spirit" rather than following our own desires?

*When we let God's Spirit guide us, we make choices that bring peace and happiness to ourselves and others. It's like having the world's best GPS for life! Following the Spirit means asking "What would Jesus do?" before we act, even when we feel like doing something else.*



Day 2 - Study Questions:

1 - What two types of spirits are contrasted in verse 15?

*Paul compares two very different ways of relating to God. A spirit of slavery and a spirit of adoption. One is like being a scared slave who's always afraid of getting in trouble. The other is like being a loved child who knows their father cares about them. God wants us to know we're His children, not His slaves!*

2 - What does it mean to be "led by the Spirit of God"?

*Being led by God's Spirit is like having a loving friend who always wants the best for you. He guides us through reading the Bible, through prayer, and through that quiet voice inside that helps us know right from wrong. We just need to learn to listen and follow!*

3 - How do we "put to death the misdeeds of the body"?

*This means choosing to stop bad habits and wrong actions with God's help. We can't do it alone, but God's Spirit gives us the power we need to make good choices.*

4 - How does this passage relate to Jesus' teaching about being "born again"?

*When Jesus talked about being "born again," He meant getting a fresh start with God. This passage shows us what that looks like - we become part of God's family! It's like being adopted into the most amazing family ever, where God is our Father and we get a whole new way of living.*



Day 3 - Study Questions:

1 - What are the two possible outcomes Paul presents in verses 13-14?

*Paul shows us two different paths we can take. Following our selfish desires leads to unhappiness and separation from God. But following God's Spirit leads to real life and joy! It's like choosing between a path that leads to a dead end and one that leads to an adventure.*

2 - How does this passage help us understand the doctrine of sanctification?

*Growing as a Christian is like learning to ride a bike - we have to do our part (pedalling and steering), but we need help too (like training wheels and someone holding the back). We try our best to make good choices, but God's Spirit gives us the power to actually do it. And it is a process, not a one-time event.*

3 - What does this passage reveal about the relationship between the Holy Spirit and our assurance of salvation?

*The Holy Spirit helps us feel sure that we really are God's children. It's like having a voice inside that reminds us we belong to God's family. When we wonder if God really loves us, the Spirit helps us remember that we're truly a child of the King.*

4 - How does knowing you're adopted by God change how you approach Him in prayer?

*Own answer. Knowing God has adopted us makes talking to Him so much easier! We don't have to be scared or use fancy words. We can talk to God just like we'd talk to dad or mum, or a good friend. God loves us and wants us to come to Him about anything!*





## Week 2 - Our Identity and Relationship with God

Bible Verse: Romans 8:38-39

38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Introduction:

Have you ever wondered how strong God's love really is? Or maybe you've worried that something might make God stop loving you? This week, we're going to explore one of the most amazing promises in the whole Bible - that nothing in the entire universe can separate us from God's love!

In Romans 8:38-39, the apostle Paul writes about being absolutely convinced of God's love. That's a big statement! He goes on to list all sorts of things - from death to life, from angels to demons, from things happening now to things that might happen in the future - and says that none of them can break the connection between us and God's love. It's like Paul is saying, "I've thought of everything that might worry you, and I want you to know that God's love is stronger than all of it!"

This week, we'll discover just how unbreakable God's love is. We'll learn why Paul was so sure about it, what this means for us when life gets tough, and how Jesus makes this amazing love possible. Just like a parent's love doesn't stop when their child makes a mistake, God's love for His children never ends.



Day 1 - Study Questions:

1 - What three pairs of opposites does Paul list?

*Death/life*

*Things now/things in the future*

*Nothing above/nothing below*

2 - Why does Paul include such an extensive list of potential separating factors?

*Paul writes this big list to show he's thought of everything that might worry us. It's like when your parent says "I'll love you when you're happy AND when you're sad, when you're good AND when you make mistakes." Paul wants us to know that no matter what happens, God's love stays strong.*

3 - Which items from Paul's list do you personally find most threatening to your faith?

*Own answer. Sometimes things can make us worry about God's love. Maybe you're scared about death, or worried about bad things that might happen, or struggling with problems right now. It's okay to admit what makes us scared - that's the first step to trusting God's love more!*

4 - What challenges were the Roman Christians facing that made this assurance important?

*The Christians in Rome were having a really tough time. They were being persecuted, killed, and they weren't allowed to join in with many public things. They needed to know that even when life was super hard, God still loved them just as much.*



Day 2 - Study Questions:

1 - What does this passage reveal about the nature of God's love?

*God's love is like a superglue that never comes unstuck! It doesn't depend on what we do or don't do. It doesn't change when we mess up. It's not like a friend who only likes us when we're nice - God's love stays strong no matter what happens.*

2 - What level of certainty does Paul express about God's love?

*Paul says he is "convinced" Paul doesn't just hope or wish God loves us - he knows it for sure, like knowing your own name.*

3 - How should this assurance of God's unchanging love affect our daily choices?

*Knowing God always loves us should make us brave! We can try new things without being afraid of failing. We can stand up for what's right even when it's hard. It's like having a safety net under us - we can be bold because we know God's love won't let us go.*

4 - What other passages in Scripture reinforce this message of God's unfailing love?

*Own answer. The Bible is full of reminders about God's amazing love! Psalm 136 keeps saying "His love endures forever," Isaiah talks about God's love being stronger than mountains, and 1 Corinthians 13 tells us that true love never fails. It's like God keeps sending us love notes throughout the Bible!*



Day 3 - Study Questions:

1 - What is the source of God's love according to this passage?

*The passage tells us that God's love comes to us through Jesus. It's like Jesus is the bridge that connects us to God's love. Because Jesus died for us and rose again, we can be sure that God's love will never end.*

2 - How can this passage comfort someone going through difficult circumstances?

*When things are hard, this passage reminds us that God's love is still there. It's like having a warm blanket wrapped around you during a storm - the storm might be scary, but you're still safe and loved. No problem is bigger than God's love for us.*

3 - How does this assurance connect to Jesus' promises in John 10 about His sheep? (John 10:1-18)

*This reminds us of when Jesus said He holds His sheep (that's us!) safely in His hands and nobody can snatch them away. It's like having both God the Father and Jesus holding onto us tight. They work together to keep us safe in Their love.*



## Week 3 - Our Present

### Responsibilities

Bible Verse: Philippians 2:14-15

14 Do everything without grumbling or arguing, 15 so that you may become blameless and pure, "children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation." Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky

Introduction:

Have you ever noticed how a single star stands out brightly in the dark night sky? In this week's Bible study, we're going to learn about how God wants us to shine just like those stars! The apostle Paul tells us in Philippians that as children of God, we should stand out in the world by the way we live and act.

Sometimes it's easy to grumble and complain when things don't go our way, or to argue with others when we disagree. But Paul tells us that God's children are called to be different. When we choose not to complain or argue, when we try to live in a way that pleases God, we shine like bright stars in a dark world. It's like being a flashlight that helps others see the path to Jesus!

Over the next three days, we'll explore what it means to live as children of God in a world that often chooses different ways. We'll learn about avoiding behaviours that dim our light, discover how to shine brightly through our actions, and understand why being different from the world around us is actually a good thing.



Day 1 - Study Questions:

1 - What two negative behaviours does Paul specifically mention to avoid?

*Paul tells us to avoid grumbling (that's when we complain about things) and arguing. It's like when you complain about having to clean your room or argue with your sibling about whose turn it is to do the dishes. Paul says these behaviours can hurt our friendship with others and make it harder for people to see Jesus in us.*

2 - What is the significance of doing everything without grumbling?

*When we don't grumble, we show that we trust God's plan and are thankful for what He gives us. It's like when you accept mum's dinner choice without complaining - it shows you trust she knows what's best, and you appreciate the work she has put in. Not grumbling makes us different from people who always find something to complain about.*

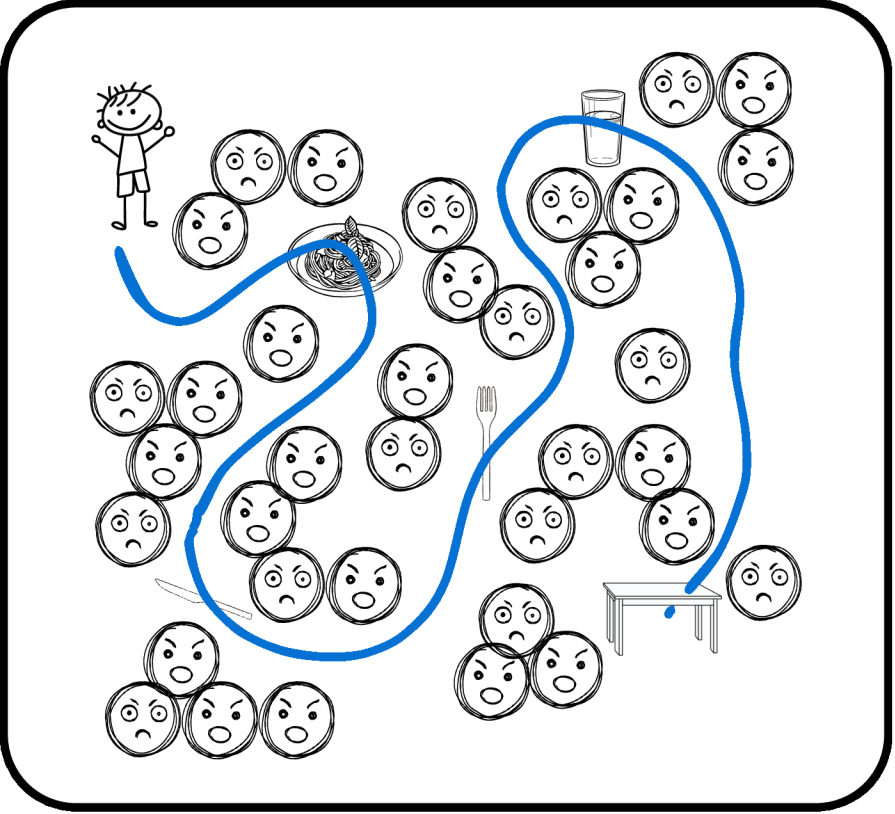
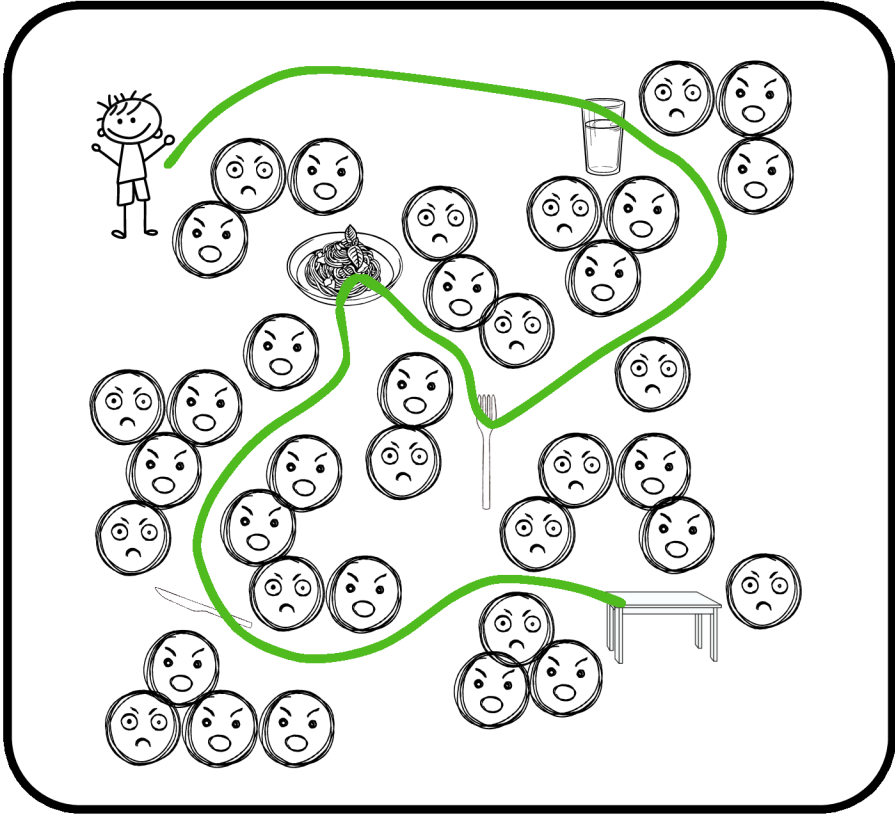
3 - In what situations do you find yourself most tempted to grumble or argue?

*Own answer. Think about when you're most likely to complain or argue. Maybe it's when you're tired, or when things don't go your way, or when your parents ask you to do something you don't want to do. Knowing these moments helps us be ready to choose a better way to respond.*



Day 1 - Study Questions: (Booklet A and B)

Two example paths.



Day 2 - Study Questions:

1 - What three characteristics should children of God display according to this passage?

*God's children should be blameless (doing what's right), pure (having a clean heart), and without fault (making good choices). Think of it like wearing clean, bright clothes that stand out in a crowd - our good behaviour should make us stand out!*

2 - What does it mean to be "blameless and pure"?

*Being blameless and pure means living in a way that no one can point to something wrong we've done. It's like having clean hands and a clean heart. When we're pure, we're honest about our actions and our reasons for doing things. People will still accuse, but they will have no evidence to back them up.*

3 - How can we maintain purity and blamelessness without becoming self-righteous?

*We need to remember that we're not perfect and we need God's help too. It's like being good at sports but not bragging about it. We should try our best to do what's right while being kind and understanding toward others who make mistakes.*

4 - What does this passage teach us about sanctification and witness?

*Growing to be more like Jesus (sanctification) helps other people see God's love. When you practice an instrument - you get better at playing, and people enjoy listening more. When we grow in goodness, it makes others want to know you more. And when they know you more they begin to know Jesus more.*



Day 3 - Study Questions:

1 - Why does Paul use the phrase "warped and crooked generation"? (NRSV/NKJ: crooked and perverse generation, ICB: crooked and mean people)

*Paul uses these words to describe how the world often chooses wrong instead of right. It's like when a piece of wood is bent and twisted - it's not straight anymore. The world can be like that with its choices, but God wants us to stay straight and true.*

2 - How does this passage show the relationship between our identity and our actions?

*Our good actions should come from knowing we're Children of the King, children of God. We live the right way because we ARE children of the King, not to BECOME children of the King.*

3 - What are some practical ways you can "shine" in your daily environment?

*You can shine by being kind to others, telling the truth even when it's hard, helping people who need it, and staying positive when things are tough. It's like being a flashlight in a dark room - your good actions help others see God's love.*

4 - What other Scriptures speak about standing out from the surrounding culture?

*The Bible often talks about being different from the world around us. It's like being salt that adds flavour, or a city on a hill that everyone can see (Matthew 5:13-14.) God wants us to be special and different because we belong to Him.*





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