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Galatians 4 : 4-7

Gal 4:4-7 But when the right time finally came, God sent his own Son. He came as the son of a human mother and lived under the Jewish Law, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might become God's children. To show that you are his children, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who cries out, "Father, my Father." So then, you are no longer a slave but a child. And since you are his child, God will give you all that he has for his children.

What did you inherit?

So often we get despondent with things in our lives that are wrong. We look at the sins and weaknesses that time after time make us fall, and feel unworthy of being called children of God. We look at our lives and find ourselves unworthy of God's grace and forgiveness. Sometimes we convince ourselves that the sins we have committed is too great and too big to deserve forgiveness. We fail to understand what God's love really is. We limit our understanding to our own human understanding of love and forgiveness, and most of the time, we measure God's forgiveness to our own un-forgiveness. We find it impossible to forgive and forget, and thus, we believe that God must also be just like that, and also get tiered of us, and having to forgive us.

Is this true? No, for God is our Father, and His love is greater than the example of the best earthly father. Just as a father here on earth will always love His children, regardless of the things they do wrong, so to does our heavenly Father love us. We allow the Devil to convince us that we are simply to bad, and that our sins are to great to forgive, thus, God does not love us anymore. We get convinced that the sacrifice on the cross is not great enough for paying the debt of our sin, for our sins are bigger than that. But this is not true. What Jesus did for us on the cross is the ultimate price to pay, and it was sufficient to pay for all our sins.

We are no longer slaves of our sins, but we are children of God. Thus, it is another lie to believe that we are slaves of our sins, and we can not break with our sins. We were bought with the blood of Jesus, and we are no longer slaves. This does not mean that you are now perfect, and completely without sins, or weakness. No, you will be in a constant struggle between the good and the evil in your life, up to the day when Jesus will return for us. We read about this struggle of the human nature versus the Spirit in Galatians 5 from verse 16. But the question is, who will win? The answer is as simple as this... The one you feed the most will be the strongest. Thus, should you deliberately go to the wrong places, and mix with the wrong people, you will fall deeper into sin. But, should you spend you time with other children of God, and should you spend your time in meditating on God's Word, and in prayer, the less will be the chance that sin will get the upper hand in your life.

God made us His children. We inherited our freedom from sin and bondage by the blood of Jesus on the cross. We are free! Don't allow the Devil to make you believe differently. Allow the Holy Spirit to become the ruling factor in your live, and allow the Spirit to call out in you, "Father, my Father." The choice is yours, what will you do with your inheritance?

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