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This verse reminds us of a wonderful truth. As Christians we are now sons and daughters of God. Those who have received Jesus, who have believed in him for salvation, have been adopted into God's family.

Why is it important to know that we have been adopted into God's family? Because of the many privileges that go along with adoption:

- ☆ Adoption tells us how God relates to us as Christians. God treats us just like a good father treats his young child, with tender love and compassion. In fact, God wants us to think of him as our heavenly father, to know that he will never leave us or abandon us, that he will always do good to us.
- ☆ Adoption reminds us that God will hear us when we pray and that he will answer our prayers. God wants us to talk to him in prayer. He is eager to answer the prayers of his children.
- ☆ Adoption reminds us of our inheritance as children of God, that God will help us become more like Jesus in the way that we speak and act. And one day we will be with him in Heaven.

Adoption into God's family is an amazing privilege, especially when you consider that God didn't have to do it this way. He could have saved us and forgiven our sins without adopting us, which would have been more than we ever could have hoped for. What a great blessing it is to know that through faith in Christ, God has adopted us into his family!