



Sermon Notes: His Name Is Abba

1. What does this name mean?

2. How is this name demonstrated?

- a. God is a Father who protects.
- b. God is a Father who leads.
- c. God is a Father who provides.
- d. God is a Father who disciplines.
- e. God is a Father who loves.

3. How is this name demonstrated in Jesus?

- a. Only Jesus has the right to call God "Abba."
- b. But Jesus gave that right to others through adoption.
 - 1) Adoption gives us access.
 - 2) Adoption gives us status.
 - 3) Adoption gives us inheritance.
- c. Our adoption cost Jesus everything.

4. What does this name mean for me?

- a. Emulate the love of Abba.
- b. Enjoy the love of Abba.



Application Questions: His Name Is Abba

1. Last week we talked about the name Jesus: "Yahweh is salvation." How did that simple truth impact and shape your week?
2. What did you know about the name Abba before this week's message?
3. What are some basic things you expect a good father to be and do? Where do you think those expectations come from?
4. Work your way through Psalm 23 and show how each of the five actions of God as Father (protection, leadership, provision, discipline, love) are present.
5. What are some ways you've seen the five actions of God as Father active in your life? Which seems most present? Which seems most absent? What do you think might account for some seeming more active than others?
6. Why do you think God chooses the imagery of a father-son relationship to reveal so much about His love for His people?
7. Read Hebrews 4:16 and 10:19-23. What kind of access do believers have to God?
8. An adopted child receives the status of his/her parents (and the same status as a biological sibling). What, then, is true about the status of every child of God?
9. Looking at your answers to #8, what would this do to/for you if you really believed this?
10. Read Romans 8:12-17, which uses the word "Abba" (verse 15). What do you observe about your access, your status, and your inheritance from this text? What else do you observe from this text that connects with the themes of this message?
11. How do you think viewing God as Abba will shape the way you pray? Live day to day?
12. What one thing do you need to do in faith in response to this message?