

**Title:** Born to Run: Embracing Our True Identity in Christ

**Main Scripture:** Galatians 4:3-7, 21-23, 28-30

**Key Thought:** You can't earn an identity you were born to receive. In Christ, we are liberated from the slavery of human effort and welcomed into the family of God.

**1. From Slavery to Sonship** (Galatians 4:3-7)

- a. Without Jesus, we are enslaved to the \_\_\_\_\_ principles of the world.
- b. God sent His Son to \_\_\_\_\_ those under the law, so we might receive adoption as children.

**Supporting Scripture:**

*"So you are no longer a slave, but a child, and if a child, then an heir through God."*  
(Galatians 4:7)

**Personal Application:**

How can I embrace my identity as a child of God rather than striving for it?

What areas of my life reflect a performance-based mindset?

**2. The Two Children: A Universal Problem** (Galatians 4:21-23)

- a. Ishmael represents a life of \_\_\_\_\_, while Isaac represents a life of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Supporting Scripture:**

*"But the son of the enslaved woman was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise."* (Galatians 4:23)

**Personal Application:**

How can I live more fully as a child of promise?

What steps can I take to let go of performance-based living?

**3. Embracing Our New Identity** (Galatians 4:28-30)

- a. You can't \_\_\_\_\_ an identity you were born to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Supporting Scripture:**

*"Now we, my brothers and sisters, are children of the promise, like Isaac."* (Galatians 4:28)

**Personal Application:**

How can I deepen my relationship with God as my Father?

Where can I demonstrate my identity as a child of God in my daily life?