

SERMON NOTES

THE FATHER WE NEED MOST

Selected Scriptures



BIG IDEA: The greatest joy of the Christian life is not just serving God, but knowing him as our Father.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

When you hear the word “father,” what’s the first image or memory that comes to mind—positive or negative? Explain why.

In what ways do you think a person’s relationship with their earthly father shapes the way they view God?

APPLY

How does seeing God as your Creator-Father shape the way you view your own identity and worth?

In what area of your life do you struggle to believe that God’s love is truly compassionate and not performance-based?

What difference would it make in your daily life if you fully embraced your identity as an adopted child of God?

How have you recently experienced God’s sustaining presence—in provision, discipline, or answered prayer?

COMMIT

This week, intentionally pray using the name “Father” or “Abba Father,” reflecting on one specific truth from the sermon (Creator, Lover, Adopter, or Sustainer) and thanking God for how he relates to you in that way.

Further Study

How does adoption theology in Romans 8:15–17 and Galatians 4:4–7 deepen our understanding of the gospel?

In what ways does Hebrews 12:5–11 reshape our perspective on hardship and discipline in the Christian life?