# It's Blessing Bag Time!

Life groups have always been instrumental in the success of our blessing bags given to kids in need. Make a plan with your group, maybe have a little contest. And plan on going with your life group friends to the packing party on Oct 1 in the worship center at 10am!





# **ABBA, FATHER**

### Romans 8

# THE MAIN RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPHET IS NOT TO DECLARE GOD'S WORD IT IS TO HEAR GOD'S VOICE.

Often we can forget as Christians that our identity is not wrapped up in what we do as careers or even what our gifts and talents are in life. There is a beautiful peace and freedom the Christian will experience when they remember simply that they are a child of God. The implications of that are incredible. There's an intentional intimacy God desires from His children when we press into our identity. We aren't just Christians, we are adopted sons and daughters! That is the truest and most fulfilling identity we can claim with the fullest confidence.

Leaders: Take your group through each section: Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.



# PRAY (10 min)

As a Life Group, take time to reflect and pray over this weekend's message. In prayer, speak to God as your Father and as His child.



## REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

- 1. Why is it hard to feel like a son or daughter when we know we are biblically? Is it hard for you to look to God as a Father? Spend some time explaining.
- 2. What does it mean to be a child (son or daughter) of God? What Christ-like inheritance do we partake in when we become His children?
- 3. How can we remind ourselves that we belong to Him and are His children? Spend some time reminding each other how to feel like His child once again.
- 4. Spend the last 2 minutes in listening prayer. Let's practice not speaking but just listening to God in silence.



## **WEEKLY MEMORIZATION VERSE**

#### **Romans 8:15**

"For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"



### REACH (5 min)

Set time aside this week to listen to God in prayer, whether that is in the car, at home or even with your family.

