

The

10 years of mc3

Jesus, Immanuel, The Name, Son, Mediator, Comforter, Jireh, Pater, Spirit, Nissi, Yahweh, Comforter, Shaddai

Jesus, Shaddai, Alpha, Eloah, Theos, Elohim, Days, Holy, Lord, Adonai, Nissi, Shalom, Lord

God, Lord, Holy, Eloi, Eloh, Christ, Shalom, Lord, Nissi, Adonai, Lord

Christ, Eloi, Eloh, Shalom, Lord, Nissi, Adonai, Lord

Kyrios, Elyon, Father, Messiah, Abba, Days, Lord



#MC3THENAME



Discussion

Gu'de

"Father"

09/26/21

Because God is Father, *We Can Relate to Him Intimately*

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- **Remember: this cycle, we're going to combine prayer requests with God Moments.** God Moments are when we celebrate God doing big things in our lives...and we want to pray for God to do big things in our lives as well! When God answers these prayers, they become God moments! Go around your group and share your prayer needs or God Moments. [Leaders: pray for these as best fits your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- Have someone explain the Point in their own words.*
- What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?*
- Have someone summarize (but not necessarily read) the main Bible passage/story from the Point: **Galatians 4:4-7**.*
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?*

**someone who was in the Point may need to explain this*

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- What is your favorite childhood memory of your dad or stepdad?
- This week, *The Name* that we looked at was *Abba*. What does this name mean in English, and what does it represent?
- We can call God our *Abba*, because of what He has done for us:
 - ***We've Been Given an Invitation...*** Read Gal. 4:4-5 & Rom. 8:15a
 - We were slaves to sin yet God adopted us! What does it mean to be adopted? What things come to mind when you consider this?
 - ***We've Been Given Intimacy...*** Read Gal. 4:6 & Romans 8:15b
 - Have you considered how strange this is? List the contrasts between *Elohim* & *Adonai* from earlier weeks, versus *Abba*.
 - ***We've Been Given an Inheritance...*** Read Gal. 4:7 & Rom. 8:16-17
 - What do we have to look forward to as our inheritance?
- Our idea of a *heavenly* Father is shaped--and often distorted--by our view of our *earthly* fathers. Even if you've been hurt by your earthly father, God wants you to see a perfect Father's love: ***He's Our Dad...***
 - ***so We Can Go To Him*** Read Matt. 6:9; Eph. 2:18; Heb. 4:16
 - How does it feel to know that you can go to *Abba* at any moment? Do you ignore this access that you have to God? Why?
 - ***so We Can Depend on Him*** Read Matt. 6:31-33; 7:9-11; Jas. 1:16-17
 - When are you most tempted to think that *Abba* won't come through for you? What do these verses say about that?
 - ***so We Can Trust Him*** Read Mark 14:35-36
 - First of all, share some of the emotions in this scene: What is going on? What is Jesus feeling? How does He relate to the Father?
 - Jesus is fully God and fully human, so He *will* feel what's about to happen. How does He show trust in the Father? Do *you* believe that *Abba really* knows what's best for you? Why/why not?
- Looking at these three examples above of our *Abba's* love, which one do you cling to? Which one is the hardest for you and why?