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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion\*



- Can you think of places, events, or websites where you have not had "full access"? Was access attainable through personal cost? Can you think of any VIP experiences that have given you status or access?
- The word "privilege" is defined as "a special right, advantage, or immunity granted or available only to a particular person or group." Take time to list your own privilege that you currently possess and exercise. (i.e. education, power, race, gender, etc.)
- Read Galatians 3:26-4:7. Find all the places that mention Christ. Consider Christ's privilege. How did Christ exercise his own privilege to turn the tables on privilege for those of us who are "in Christ"? (i.e. giving up his power/status, making it possible for all of us to have the status as "sons of God")
- We are now "sons of God" (only male Jews could inherit—thus
  the male language of "son"), inheritors of God's grace, adopted
  as children of God, sharing the same status and privilege as
  Christ. How does God's giving of us all "status" and "privilege"
  make us "one" and "equal" in the body of Christ—eliminating
  misuse of power and self-serving privilege and status?
- Through our privilege "in Christ," we have been granted "full access" to God, as "sons of God." Consider your participation in that "full access." Do you experience intimacy with God? Do you cry out to God and talk with God, like a child to a parent?
- Read Romans 8:14-17, 26-27. Consider the role of the Holy Spirit in our intimacy with God.
- Consider writing or saying a prayer to God to express your thanks for being God's child. Share with God the intimate details of your life and heart. Express your thanks to God for adopting you and making you a "son of God."

<sup>\*</sup>Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.