THE SPIRIT'S ATTESTATION OF ADOPTION

Romans 8:14-16

I. God's Children are Spirit Led – vs. 14

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Proverbs 3:5-6

Psalm 25:4-5

Psalm 119:35, 133

John 14:25-26

Luke 24:44-45

Ephesians 3:16-19

1 Corinthians 2:14-16

Galatians 5:22-26

1 Peter 1:2

II. Spirit of Fear vs. Spirit of Adoption – vs. 15

Hebrews 2:14-15

2 Timothy 1:7

1 John 4:18

Huiothesía - adoption, placed in a position and rights as one's own child, sonship

Ephesians 1:3-5

2 Corinthians 6:17-18

2 Samuel 4:4; 9:1-13

Abbá – (Aramaic) daddy, papa; denoting childlike intimacy and trust, not disrespect

$Pat\acute{e}r$ – (Greek) father, male parent

Mark 14:36

Galatians 4:6

III. Assurance of Salvation – vs. 16

Deuteronomy 17:6

Matthew 18:16

1 John 2:1-6

1 John 3:24

Galatians 5:22-23a

Romans 8:13

Closing Thought: The Holy Spirit assures us of our salvation. He attests to our adoption, by leading us and by bearing witness with our spirit that we are God's children. If you are neglecting the reading of the Word, neglecting prayer, avoiding true fellowship with God's people, or if you are nonchalant about your obedience to His commands, you will invariably be questioning your salvation. Cry out "Abba, Father" and see if you are His by your change in direction that is sure to follow.