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Chapter 8
Father/
Son, Daughter

Adventure Community Church





Stopped in our tracks...

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Overcoming the challenges of the next step
on the stairs....

Father/Child



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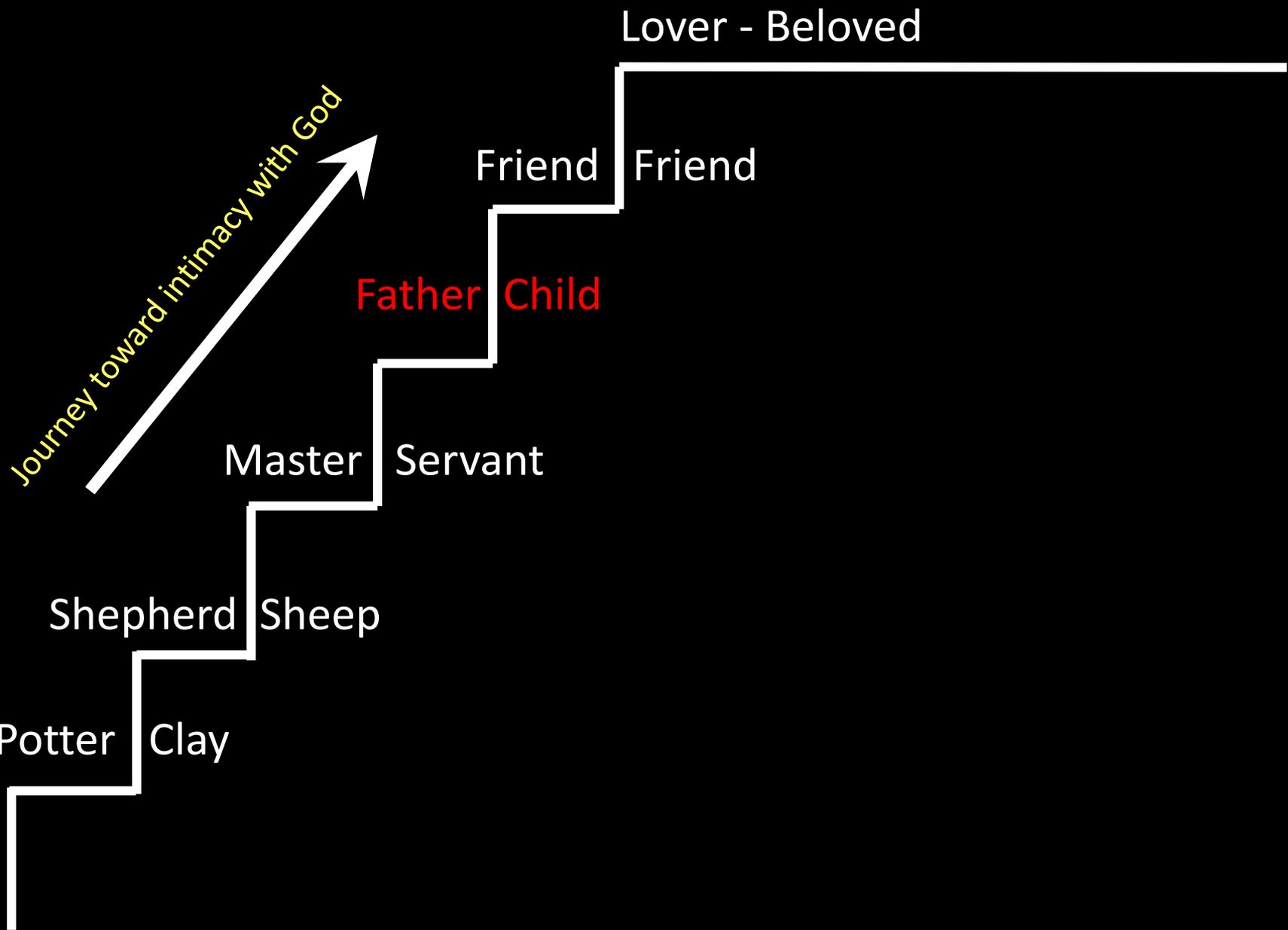
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Key verse today...

“I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.”

2 Corinthians 6:18

Sonship/daughtership

Part of His PLAN:

*“In love He **predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure and will.”***

Ephesians 1:5

He has had a plan for you and I long before the creation of the world.

Sonship/Daughtership

Part of His PURPOSE

“It was for this He called you through our gospel, that you may gain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

2 Thessalonians 2:14

God has had you specifically in mind for a long, long time.

1. Avoid a “Kodak Moment”



Cutting mad freshies



“fun action”

“great times”

“awesome van ride”

“Pop tarts”

“Mad freshies

in the pow

pow”

”Grommets”

”Newbies”

“Stiffy air”

2. The difference is in the relational approach. (knowing the audience)

- *The difference is HIS desired relational approach to us. Abba Father. (“Daddy”)*
- *He wants us to relate to Him as a Father.*

“Father, daddy, Abba”

‘Father’ is used 7 times in the Old Testament

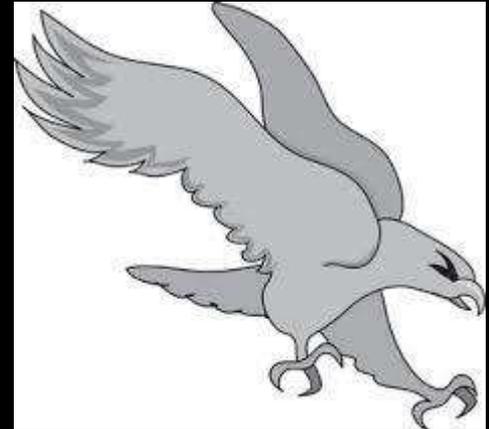
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150 times in the New Testament

“People cling to an unsatisfactory way of life rather than change in order to get something better, for fear of getting something worse.”

Eric Hoffer

Can come from the way we view God



God and his
smite button



The Truth!

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“His pleasure” is found in our sonship (being His child) to Him as daddy.

3. The way to overcome and conquer fear? Embrace our sonship (“Abba”)

“For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.””

Romans 8:15

“Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has also made you also an heir.” Galatians 4:6-7

**4. Want to get unstuck on the stairs?
Recognize your freedom as a child of
God and understand your identity in
Him. You are no longer a slave.**



“Identity is not something that falls out of the sky. For better or worse identity is bestowed...the question every woman is asking goes something like this, *“Am I lovely, do you want me?”* The question every man is asking is, *“Do I have what it takes? Am I adequate.”*

John Eldridge

Top selling Halloween costume?



“Our identity rests in God's relentless tenderness for us revealed in Jesus Christ.”

Brennan Manning

Things can get in the way



God's plan...

And we, who unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."

2 Corinthians 3:18

Transforming you and I into the likeness of Jesus.

“Stopped in our tracks”
“Paralyzed by fear”



I need fathering

I don't know how much of this I really grasp, but I know this – I need a father. There is so much in me yet that yet needs fathering. And I don't want to live fatherless anymore. So come to me, and help me make this shift. You have taken me home, through Christ, to be your own son/daughter. I accept that. I give my life back to you, to be your true son/daughter. Father me, God. Father me.