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The Gifts of Christmas
The Gift of a Future

“When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!” Every believer sings that chorus loudly. It is a chorus of anticipated truth. We look forward to our future inheritance. At the same time, we experience the benefits of our inheritance here and now, while looking forward to our ultimate inheritance in heaven.

Additional Verses:

Luke 18:18-30, 22:30
1 Corinthians 15:28
1 Peter 1:4

Romans 8:12-17
Galatians 3:28, 4:6
Revelation 3:12, 3:21, 20:4

Outline:

1. We inherit a new identity.

Study Questions:

1. How do you define yourself? How do you define yourself to those around you? How does Jesus define you?
2. Why is it important to ground our identity in Christ? What consequences occur when our identity is not grounded in Christ?
3. How are we adopted? What are some benefits and privileges of being children of God?
4. How does calling God Abba confirm that we are adopted children of God?
5. What are some new realities we inherit in heaven? What are you looking forward most to in heaven? How does that promise give you hope today?
6. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?

2. We inherit a new intimacy.

3. We inherit a new reality.