

## GALATIANS 4-A

### “Adopted as Adult Heirs”

#### Greek words:

“put in charge”...(3:24) [KJV-schoolmaster] GR paidagogos = “child controller”  
in effect until ‘coming of age’, maturity  
[ English term “pedagogery” - to be controlling, inflexible, dogmatic ]

“sons” (3:26, 4:5,6,7) GR: huioi = “adult children with the rights of heirs”  
(neuter)

“child” (4:1,2) GR: nepios = “underage, minor children or infants”  
(neuter)

#### English terms:

“full rights of sons” (4:5) [KJV: ‘adoption’]= GR: huiothesia: “adult child-placing”  
(placing a person into a family with the position & privileges of an  
adult heir)

“baptized into Christ” (3:27)= “immersed in, enveloped with Christ”  
“clothed with Christ” “ (Roman concept of wearing clothing suitable for an adult)

“redeem” (4:5) GR: exagorazo = “to buy a slave in order to set him free”