

## Sermon Worksheet, 6/21/09

**Passage:** John 14:2-15:17

**Theme:** Our Heavenly Father

*Don't you know that  
you yourselves are  
God's temple and that  
God's Spirit lives in  
you? (1 Cor 3:16)*



### Observations:

- 1) Underline the word “**Father**” in this passage. How many times does it occur? In 14:10-11, Jesus said that he was in the Father and the Father was in him. Where else in this passage do you find the similar expression of “A is in B, and B is in A”, and how does it differ from vv. 10 and 11? Explain the significance of the difference.
- 2) Underline the phrase “**in my name**” in this passage. How many times does it occur? In 14:13-14, Jesus said that he would do whatever the disciples would ask in his name. Where else do you find the similar words of Jesus in this passage, and how does it differ from vv. 13 and 14? Explain the significance of the difference.
- 3) Underline the phrase “**(to) remain in**” in 15:1-17. How many times does it occur? Note that the subject of the verb, and what he/it/they is/are to remain in are different in each occurrence. List them up, and see how they are related to each other.

### Personal Applications:

- 1) There are many fathers in this world. What is different between the relationship you have with your own father and that of somebody else’s father? Explain specifically concerning the things you can ask or expect of your own father and of somebody else’s father.
- 2) Is your biological father enough for you? If not, would you like to have Jesus’ Father as your own Father? Explain how you can be adapted as a son or a daughter of Jesus’ Father. What things are required of his children according to this passage?
- 3) Are all Christians automatically the children of God? First of all, define the word “Christian”—who are Christians? Do you think that there are differences between to have the right to be children of God and to live actually as children of God? Explain what the Scripture says about this. What helps you really to live as children of God?

### Prayers, and etc.

- 1) Thank God and praise him for the fact that you were adapted as a son or daughter of Jesus’ Father, and pray that you will come to see yourself more in this relationship and live as his son/daughter.
- 2) Pray for your group, and your family that they can encourage each other to live as children of God by loving one another.
- 3) Continue to pray for “**everyone**” and “**all the saints**”—especially, for those who need to be brought into the same relationship you have with God. Pray also for the recent and the future newcomers. Don’t forget to act, too: write E-mails, cards, etc.