

The First Fruits of Our Inheritance
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I. BEFORE ADOPTION

**II. HOW THE SPIRIT TESTIFIES
THAT WE ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD
Romans 8:16**

**A. THE CHILD OF GOD PUTS TO DEATH
THE DEEDS OF THE BODY
Romans 8:13b-14**

**B. THE CHILD OF GOD CRIES OUT,
“ABBA! FATHER!”
Romans 8:15b**

**III. THE FIRST FRUITS OF OUR INHERITANCE
Romans 8:17-18**

**A. THE SPECTACULAR
Romans 8:17a**

1. We are heirs of God Himself.

**a. The Priestly Tribe of Levi
Deuteronomy 18:2**

**b. The Psalmist
Psalm 73:25-26**

**c. The Prophet Jeremiah
Lamentations 3:2-24**

**2. We are fellow heirs with Christ,
who is the heir of all things.
Hebrews 1:3; 1 Corinthians 3:21-23; Psalm 2:7-8**

**3. Our inheritance includes the unfathomable
riches of Christ.
Ephesians 3:8, 2:7**

**a. We are heirs of the world.
Romans 4:13**

**b. We are heirs of the Kingdom of God.
James 2:5**

**c. We are heirs of eternal life.
John 17:3; Titus 3:4-7**

**B. THE SUFFERING
Romans 8:17b; Luke 9:23; 2 Timothy 3:12;
Hebrews 12:6-7; Romans 8:35-36**

IV. THE ROAD TO GLORY IS THE ROAD OF SUFFERING

**A. SUFFERING WORKS THE PERSEVERANCE OF FAITH
Romans 5:3; 2 Corinthians 1:8-9**

**B. SUFFERING PRODUCES THE LIKENESS
OF CHRIST IN US
Romans 8:18**