

THE GOSPEL TO THE ROMANS "Adoption, Suffering, and the Witness of the Spirit" 2 Chron 18:19-34; Rom 8:14-18

1. Led of the Spirit into the reality of our sonship: Rom 8:13-14; 1 Kg 22:46

- a. The amazing fact of it: 1 John 3:1-3
- b. Purchased, Paid for, and Possessed: Gal 3:16; 4:4
- c. We are, therefore, legal heirs with Christ: Rom 8:17
- 2. Our sonship is affirmed, by the Spirit, through suffering: Rom 8:17/1 John 5:10-14
 - a. He bears witness to us in the cry (Chastening/Tribulation): Heb 12:5-8 (9)/Acts 5:32
 - b. He sustains our liberty through correction: Rom 8:2-15/Heb 2:14-15/Ps 119:45, 130
- 3. The adoption of the Spirit is a waiting process: Rom 8:18
 - a. Waiting on God is an act of faith and a sign of sonship: Gal 5:6/1 Thess 1:10
 - b. And the cry is a longing for our full adoption rights: vs 23