

NATURALLY SUPERNATURAL



THE NORMAL CHRISTIAN LIFE

Romans 8:12-17

The Spirit of Adoption

**1. Not slaves but
sons**

A change of location

Rom 8:9 'You, however, are **not in the realm of the flesh**
but are in the **realm of the Spirit,**.

Ex 14:12

It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!”

Num 11:15 We remember the fish we ate freely in Egypt, along with the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions, and garlic



A change of status

15 the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to
sonship



Ex 4:22 Then say to Pharaoh, 'This is what the Lord says: Israel is my firstborn son, 23 and I told you, "Let my son go, so he may worship me.

2. Not orphans but adopted

Adoption is a gift

Rom 8:15 the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."
16The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Adoption says you belong

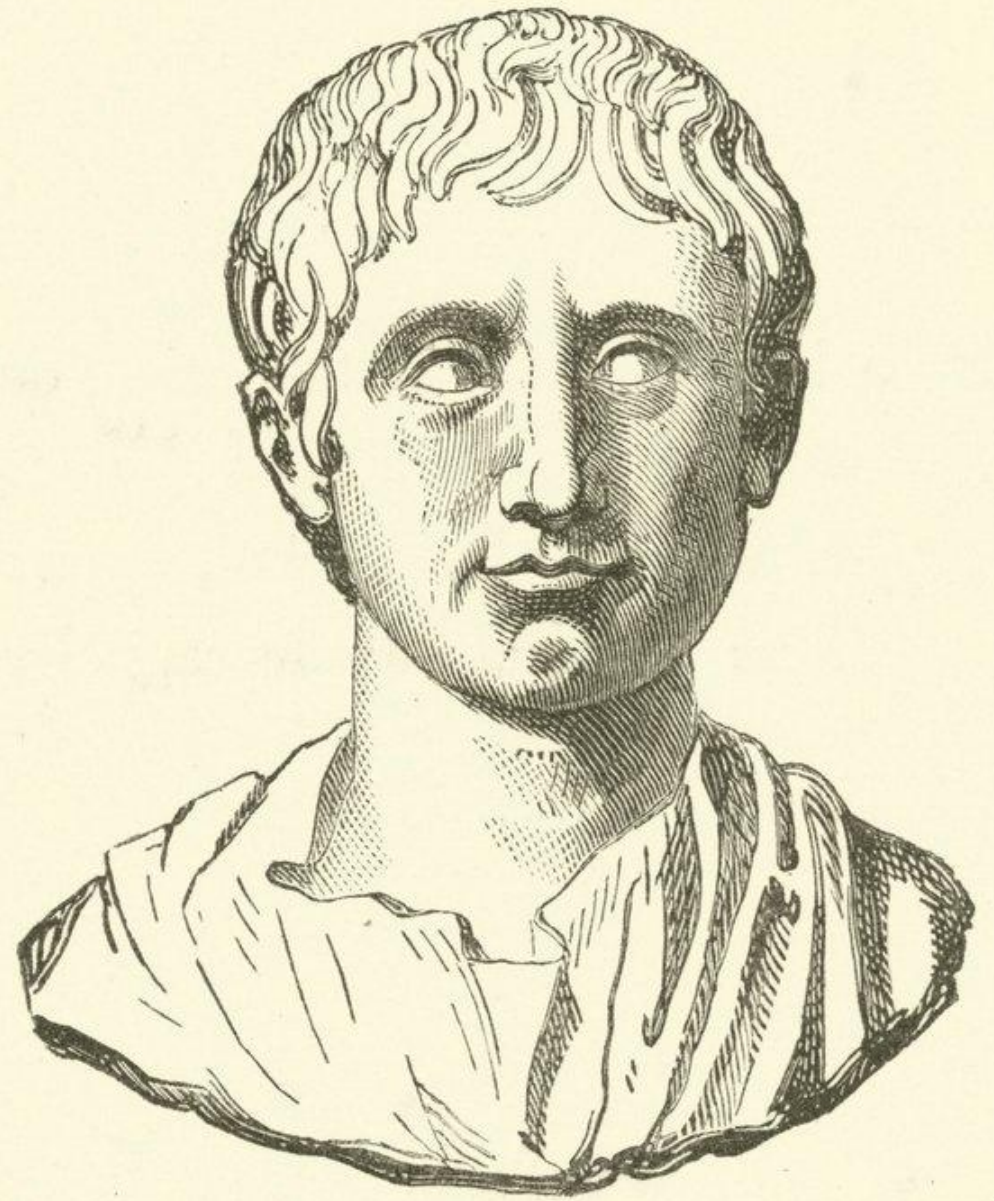
“V15 by him we cry abba father”



3. Not aimless but significant

V17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

Psalm 2:8
Matt 28:19, 20



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petit-neveu et fils adoptif de CÉSAR
d'après un buste antique.

