

November 25, 2018

**Adopted as God's Child**

*A Legal Illustration -- Galatians 4:1-7*

A). An analogy from human life 4:1-2

*An underage heir is subject to guardians and trustees*

B). A comparison to spiritual matters 4:3-5

*The elemental spiritual forces of the world*

Colossians 2:8

Colossians 2:20-23

*The set time*

Greek language in a civilized world

Jewish synagogues

Roman peace and Roman roads

*born of a woman*

*born under the law*

Romans 8:3-4

*To redeem those under the law*

*That we might receive adoption to sonship*

### **Questions for consideration**

1. What does it mean to you personally to be considered a child of God?
2. Have you ever struggled with the timing of God? How did you deal with your situation/s? When you look back on these situations, have you come to realize that God's timing was the best even if you did not understand?
3. What is man-made religion? Can you give some examples of this? How does man-made religion lead people away from the Lord? What might we say to lead people away from self-righteous human traditions to personal faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation?