

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

2024/2025 Annual Sermon Outline

Why create an annual sermon? The annual sermon is meant to be used as a gospel sharing tool highlighting the ministry of BCH and emphasizing the Annual Offering and the video story that God has written through the ministry. This sermon, using the themed title (Sons and Daughters) and Bible passage (Romans 8.14-18), is very simple and provides easy to grasp truths that are central to the gospel and to our ministry of "sharing hope and changing lives." This sermon can easily be adapted by any pastor as you share the story (video) and bring light to this annual offering emphasis.

Below, you will find a Theme, Big Idea, Key Text, suggested outline with main points, a key statement pointing back to the verse/s and the corresponding point as well as supporting Scripture. All of this is meant to build up to the short 3 1/2-minute video that illustrates the sermon wonderfully and can be used as a lead-in to an invitation calling people to repentance, faith in Christ and action in the gospel mission of Christ.

Theme: Sons and Daughters

Big Idea: As sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father, we are loved, never alone and have an incomparable future.

Text: Romans 8: 14-17 (KJV) - 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Outline:

- 1. You are loved. 14-15
 - a. God loved and he gave His Son and we have received the Spirit of adoption.
 - b. Support = John 3.16; 1 John 4.9-10
- 2. You are never alone. 15b-17
 - a. In sending His Holy Spirit, God has given us the capacity to call Him 'Abba Father' who will never leave us or forsake us.
 - b. Support = Galatians 4.6-7; Hebrews 13.5
- 3. You can have an incomparable future. 17-18
 - As sons and daughters of God we are heirs with Christ to a phenomenal future.
 - b. Support = 2 Corinthians 4.17-18
- Video Illustration (3 1/2 min offering video) Through this video we can clearly see these 3 truths lived out in the lives of 2 brothers and the family who adopted them as sons. The video can be downloaded at https://vimeo.com/992311772