## Claimed

## 1 John 2:1-2

There is something in us that wants to be wanted, that desires to belong, that craves the connection that comes from being claimed and included.

- I. Claimed by the Apostle as family
  - A. Family struggles together
  - B. Family stands together
  - C. Family stays together
- II. Claimed by the Father as children (Galatians 3:26)
  - A. Substitution Jesus took our place on the cross
  - B. Redemption Jesus paid the price on the cross
  - C. Propitiation Jesus satisfied God on the cross
    - 1. Payment was made
    - 2. Holiness was upheld
    - 3. Wrath was averted
  - D. Adoption God chooses us to be his children (Galatians 4:4-7)
- III. Claimed by the Savior as siblings (John 20:17 & Hebrews 2:11-12; 17)
  - A. He stooped down for us when we didn't deserve it (He's the big brother who came here)
  - B. He stepped up for us when we didn't deserve it (Against Sin, Satan and death)
  - C. He stood in-between for us when we did deserve it (we do deserve God's wrath)

## So What?

- Family should always hope for the best
- Family should always pray for the best
- Family should always work for the best