

I'd like to say I grew up in a perfect family, and I'd like to hear my children say they did too...and mean it. In what ways could your family have done better? The Bible uses so many wonderful metaphors to help us understand the relationship He wants to have with us. He often chose marriage and the family to help us get the picture of what He's up to. He even uses family matters to clarify difficult doctrinal things, like the relationship between the law and grace. After all, "a person is made right with God by faith in Jesus Christ, not by obeying the law" (2:16, NLT). So, what place does God's law have in our lives? Let's consider how **God's perfected family**, can help us grasp how it all works together.

God's timing is perfect

- ***"when the time was right" (v.4a NLT)***

God's way is perfect

- ***"sent His Son, born of a woman, subject to the law" (v.4b)***

God's will is perfect

"to buy freedom for us (redeem us) ...to adopt us as His very own children, (v.5)

Personal Application and Conversations

1. Describe your idea of a perfect family.
2. How has adoption affected your understanding of family?
3. In what ways have you struggled with God's timing?
4. How might God's timing (as in Galatians 4:4-7) help you talk to people who have yet to turn to Him, about our Savior?
5. Describe God's timing in the story of your relationship to Christ.
6. How do you seek and embrace God's will in your daily life?



God's Perfected Family

Galatians 3:26-26-4:7

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