

# HOPE DEALERS

## OUR HOPE IS IN BEING SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE PAPA

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1. Open in prayer by reading the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13.

### How Do You Become A Hope Dealer?

- By embracing your adoption. Read Romans 8:14-16.
  - Sin created spiritual orphans. A spiritual orphan is spiritually dead and unreconciled to God the Father. Because of God the Father's love and mercy, Jesus was sent to redeem and adopt you.
  - How do you feel about this? Take some time in the group to give God words of praise.
  - How can you not value yourself when God the Father paid such a high price for you? Discuss how this relates to the vision of TC.
- By embracing that God has purpose in your pain.
  - Read Romans 8:28-29
  - How has suffering made you more like Jesus?

2. Discuss the list below:

- Spiritual orphans feel insecure. Sons and daughters are secure in the Papa's love.
  - Read Romans 8:37
  - Pastor Derwin said, "You don't have to live a reactionary life. Thoughtfully and artfully live a Christ-actionary life." Discuss this statement.
- Spiritual orphans feel lonely. Sons and daughters know they have a family.
  - Read Ephesians 2:19 (NLT)
- Spiritual orphans are jealous of others' success. Sons and daughters help others discover their calling.
  - Discuss Pastor Derwin's statement, "If you compete with others, you become bitter. If you compete with yourself, you become better."
- Spiritual orphans are stingy. Sons and daughters are generous.
  - Read 2 Corinthians 8:9 (NLT)

Close in prayer.