**HEIRS ACCORDING TO THE PROMISE**

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 Isn’t that a great title? Webster defines the word “heir” as one who inherits or is entitled to inherit property. Who doesn’t want to be an heir? And yet when I say that, I remember hitting that square from the game called Life which declared: you’ve become the heir of Aunt Polly’s 2000 cats! No thank you! On that one, I’ll swiftly pass!

 Being an heir and receiving an extravagant inheritance! What would it be like to live debt free, to own luxury cars, boats and a beautiful mansion with servants waiting on us hand and foot! We can dream, can’t we?

 Spiritually, God wants to bless us with an eternal inheritance. Paul often wrote about our inheritance. The title of our article today is taken from Galatians 3:29 which says, “And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.” There it is and this is what genuine Christians are longing for – being heirs according to the promise!

 As Paul continues to press the glory of this point, he expands on the cost of our adoption into the family of God as he said in **Galatians 4:4-6**, ***“But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, ‘Abba Father!’ Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.”*** (continued on back)