

Romans Chapter 8

Romans 8:1-2

- No condemnation in Christ Jesus
- Law of Life overcomes Law of Sin and Death
- The old marriage to the flesh died on the cross
- New marriage to Jesus is with the resurrected Son of God

Colossians 2:13- 16

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by cancelling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities^[b] and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him

VS 3

- Law could not save us – law condemns us
- Jesus died on the cross to set us free from the law of sin and death
- Hebrews 9:26 – Jesus put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself
- Hebrews 10:3 – OT did not take away sin, only covered sin until next sacrifice

VS 4

- Requirement of the law fulfilled as we walk in the Spirit - grace
- The requirement of the Law never fulfilled in the flesh – works

What is the righteous requirement of the Law? LOVE

- Matt 22:35 – great commandment
- Romans 13:8-10 – owe no man anything but Love
- Galatians 5:14 – whole law is fulfilled in one word: love
- I Tim 1:5-7 – goal of our instruction is love, pure heart, good conscience, sincere faith

This kind of Love is

1. Supernatural – Romans 5:5 – love of God spread abroad in our hearts by H/S
2. Inseparable from obedience- John 14:21 – love me, keep my commandments
3. Motive is from our obedience – John 14:15; John 14:23
4. Love matures, is progressive, increases – Phil 1:9 – love abounds more and more
5. One who loves is born of God – I John 4:7; I John 2:5 – love of God perfected

VS 5- 17 – Total opposition between the flesh and the Spirit

- Mind on flesh – death
- Mind on Spirit – Life and Peace
- Mind on Flesh – hostile toward God;
- Mind on the Flesh - not subject to God’s law – the rebel can not change
- Mind on Flesh – not please God – impossible
- Ephesians 2:3 – flesh hostile to God in mind and behavior
- Isaiah 55:7 – the wicked must forsake their ways - change
- Romans 12: 1-2 – the mind must be renewed
- If you do not have the Holy Spirit, you do not belong to God
- With Christ in you there is new life in your mortal body – Romans 6:1-4
- You are free from the flesh (old nature)
- If you live according to the flesh you will die
- If you live by the Spirit you will put to death the deeds of the flesh and live
- Sons/daughters of God are led by the Spirit
- No longer a slave, but adapted in the family of God – John 1:12-13
- We are children and heirs if we SUFFER WITH HIM –

VS 18 – Suffering Compared to the Glory to be Revealed

- I Corinthians 11:25ff – list of Paul’s suffering
- 2 Corinthians 4: 17 – look at eternal not temporal

VS 18-25 The Natural Order

- Creation was impacted at the fall – Genesis 3:17 – thorns and thistles
- Creation is groaning
- Creation was subject to futility – not on its own will – by Adam’s transgression
- Creation is subject to corruption – decay

VS 26-31 Our Victory in Christ

- Praying in the Spirit who helps us when we do not know what or how to pray
- God works all things for good – conditional – love God, walking in His purposes
- Foreknew – I Peter 1: 1-2
- Chose – Ephesians 1:3-4
- Predestined – Ephesians 1:5; Ephesians 1:11; Ephesians 2:10
- Called – John 15:16; Titus 3:5
- Saved – I Tim 1:9
- Justified – many verses
- Glorified – past tense – now Eph 2:4-6: made us alive, raised up, enthroned with Him

VS 31-39 Eternal Security – Five Questions

- If God is for us who can be against us ?
- If God gave us His Son, how will he withhold anything good from us?
- If God has justified us who can bring a charge against us?
- If we are justified, who can condemn us?
- Jesus lives and makes intercession for us!
- Hebrews 7:25 - intercessor
- I John 2:1 – advocate
- Who can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus?
 - Tribulation
 - Distress
 - Persecution
 - Famine
 - Nakedness
 - Peril
 - Sword
- Nothing can separate us