

#18 To Be Free Part 3

Romans 8:1-11 (ESV)

From Romans Chapter 7: Four Points of Wisdom Regarding the Law

- 1. Point Number 1: Our Relationship To The Law
- 2. Point Number 2: How The Law Connects To Sin
- 3. Point Number 3: How The Law Conflicts With Self
- 4. Point Number 4: The Power Of Grace

The Clarion Call of True Freedom!

- As we're in Christ there's no longer <u>ANY CONDEMNATION</u> whatsoever for us
 - a. **Romans 8:1** There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Two Themes in Romans 8

- 1. The First Theme is the **HOLY SPIRIT**
 - a. The Holy Spirit Gives **US FREEDOM**
 - 1. **Romans 8:2-4** For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

II. What has God Done?

- 1. Sent HIS OWN SON
 - a. By sending his own Son...
- 2. Became A HUMAN BEING
 - a. ... in the likeness of sinful flesh...
- 3. Became A SIN OFFERING
 - a. ... and for sin...
- 4. Condemned SIN
 - a. ... he condemned sin in the flesh...
- 5. Fulfilled the **REQUIREMENT OF THE LAW**

- a. ... in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
- b. The Holy Spirit Gives **HIS MIND**
 - 1. Romans 8:5-8 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸ Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
 - II. The mind of the Holy Spirit is **OUR NATURE AS FOLLOWERS** of Jesus
 - III. The mind of the Holy Spirit has **ETERNAL CONSEQUENCES**
 - IV. The mind of the Holy Spirit relates to <u>OUR</u>ATTITUDE toward God
- c. The Holy Spirit Gives **US HIS PRESENCE**
 - I. Romans 8:9-11 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.
 - II. The Holy Spirit's presence is **THE MARK OF AN AUTHENTIC** follower of Jesus

Are You Living In Freedom Today? Is The Holy Spirit Alive In You Today?

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