

## Jesus Gets Us: Got the Spirit?

Roman 8:1-9

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Romans 8:1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup> Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. <sup>6</sup> The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.

### Our Vision: Connect with Christ, Church and Community

1. \_\_\_\_\_ need of an advocate

\_\_\_\_\_ slavery: Sin took the opportunity, when I heard God's holy commandment, to completely seduce me into rebellion and because of this, I died... my soul has been sold into the slavery of sin.  
Romans 7:11, 14b (JOT)

\_\_\_\_\_ our need: These things I am telling you while I am still with you. After I leave, the Father will send in my name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit that will teach you everything and prompt you to think about the things I have told you.  
John 14:25-26 (JOT)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ to God's help for your life

\_\_\_\_\_ it: So there is now no condemnation awaiting those who belong to Christ Jesus. For the power of the life-giving Spirit—and this power is mine through Christ Jesus—has freed me from the vicious circle of sin and death. We aren't saved from sin's grasp by knowing the commandments....  
Romans 8:1-3a (TLB)

\_\_\_\_\_ redemption: The law was powerless to help us overcome our sin sickness. God sent his own Son in human flesh to condemn the power of sin in us, but also to redeem us by fulfilling the righteous demands of the law. We can now be free to stay in step with the Spirit and not be seduced by our human nature!

Romans 8:3-4 (JOT)

\_\_\_\_\_ the status quo: The mindset of the broken human nature will lead to death but a mindset shared with Holy Spirit will create new life and peace. Sinful human nature is hostile to God... You do not share this hostility...when God's Spirit dwells in you....

Romans 8:6-9 (JOT)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ power for your life

\_\_\_\_\_ love: No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love.  
Romans 8:37-38 (NLT)

Spiritual Action Step:

**Where do you need God's help for your life? How in the enemy seeking to build hostility in your heart? Where do you feel defeated and overwhelmed?** The Apostle Paul says, *"So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children."* (Romans 8:15, NLT) Let the power of God's Spirit fill your heart through admitting that you need God's help in your life. Let God reassure you of his presence and love. This week, read Romans 7-8 to allow the Holy Spirit to speak to your heart and fill you with God's presence.