

**Romans 7:24 – 8:11**

New American Standard Version

1 <sup>24</sup> Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body  
2 of this death? <sup>25</sup> Thanks be to God through **Jesus Christ** our  
3 Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my **mind** am  
4 serving the **law** of God, but on the other, with my **flesh** the **law**  
5 of sin. <sup>8:1</sup> Therefore there is now no condemnation for those  
6 who are in **Christ Jesus**. <sup>2</sup> For the **law** of the **Spirit** of life in  
7 **Christ Jesus** has set you free from the **law** of sin and of death.  
8 <sup>3</sup> For what the **Law** could not do, weak as it was through the  
9 **flesh**, God *did*: sending His own **Son** in the likeness of sinful  
10 **flesh** and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the **flesh**,  
11 <sup>4</sup> so that the requirement of the **Law** might be fulfilled in us,  
12 who do not walk according to the **flesh** but according to the  
13 **Spirit**. <sup>5</sup> For those who are according to the **flesh** set their **minds**  
14 on the things of the **flesh**, but those who are according to the  
15 **Spirit**, the things of the **Spirit**. <sup>6</sup> For the **mind** set on the **flesh** is  
16 death, but the **mind** set on the **Spirit** is life and peace, <sup>7</sup> because  
17 the **mind** set on the **flesh** is hostile toward God; for it does not  
18 subject itself to the **law** of God, for it is not even able *to do so*,  
19 <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the **flesh** cannot please God. <sup>9</sup> However,  
20 you are not in the **flesh** but in the **Spirit**, if indeed the **Spirit** of  
21 God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the **Spirit** of  
22 **Christ**, he does not belong to Him. <sup>10</sup> If **Christ** is in you, though  
23 the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because  
24 of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> But if the **Spirit** of Him who raised **Jesus**  
25 from the dead dwells in you, He who raised **Christ Jesus** from  
26 the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His  
27 **Spirit** who dwells in you.

**Additional questions for thought and discussion:**

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**Inductive Bible Study**

(A few general ideas)

**Observation**  
**(What does it say?)**

What facts do you **observe** about the passage that help bring out the writer's thought process?

- Who are the people involved?
- What action takes place?
- What type of literature is it (poetry, history, didactic, etc.)?
- What details are included or left out?
- Are any unusual words used?
- Is there symbolic language?
- What is the grammar of the passage (pronouns, prepositions, verb tenses)?
- Are words or ideas repeated?
- Any comparisons or contrasts?
- Any cause and effect?
- Are there indications of purpose ("in order that...")?
- Are there conclusions ("Therefore...")?
- Are there explanations?
- Does the passage logically break into sections?
- How would you summarize the passage?
- What would be a good "headline" for the passage?

**Interpretation**  
**(What does it mean?)**

What questions come to mind about the facts that would help you **interpret** the meaning?

- How would the original readers have understood the passage?
- What is the main emphasis?
- Why does the writer use repetition, or contrast, or unusual words?
- What does the grammar or structure of the passage reveal about the writer's thought pattern?
- Is there a logical sequence in the passage?
- How are different ideas in the passage connected?
- Are there any new ideas or concepts presented?
- Are there difficulties in the passage?

**Application**  
**(What does it mean for me?)**

What is the impact on your life? What **application** does the Holy Spirit want to show you?

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a promise to be thankful for?
- Is there an attribute of God to worship?
- Is there an example to follow?

**Read nothing into the Scriptures, but draw everything from them, and suffer nothing to remain hidden that is really in them.  
J.A. Bengel (1687-1752)**