Spirit vs Flesh

Romans 8 July 24, 2022

Romans begins with no **condemnation**.

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; Romans 8:1

Romans ends with no **separation**.

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Condemnation- accusation, disapproval, judgement, blame, damnation, reproach, reproof, or sentence.

What are your **desires**?

Those who live according to the sinful nature have their mind set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their mind set on what the Spirit desires. Romans 8:5

Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4

Flesh	Spirit
Selfish	Selfless
Death	Life
Hostile with God	Peace
Refuses to Submit	Lives inside you
Dishonors Gods Law	Righteous
Cannot Please God	Adopted
Slave	Child of God
	Heir

<u>Adoption</u> in Roman culture would have given the one adopted the same privileges as blood family.

Everything Jesus received by divine **right**; we received by divine **grace.**

In our time of <u>weakness</u>, the Spirit <u>intercedes</u> for us and knows what is <u>best</u> for us.

Meanwhile, the moment we get tired in the waiting, God's Spirit is right alongside helping us along. If we don't know how to pray, it doesn't matter. He does our praying in and for us, making our prayer out of wordless sighs, our aching groans. He knows us far better than we know ourselves, knows our pregnant condition, and keeps us present before God. That's why we can be so sure that every detail in our lives of love for God is worked into something good.

Romans 8:26-28 MSG

Nothing can **isolate** us from the presence of God.

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Reflection

We all are in need of God's love. What is keeping you from a relationship with Him today?

Jesus has done everything for you and wants to intercede on your behalf but you need to come to Him first.

Why put off till tomorrow what you can do today? He is waiting!