

Freedom and Victory through The Spirit of Life
Romans 8:1-3
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Paraphrase of Romans 8:1-4

You must march through the rocky valley of Romans 7 to reach the glorious heights of Romans 8.

In light of our indwelling sin, Paul reminds us of three things:

- 1) There is no condemnation for you. v 1
- 2) The Law of the Spirit of life sets you free from the law of sin and death. v 2
- 3) Sin has been confronted and defeated; through the body for Christ. v 3

Paul is teaching the peace of assurance even as we continue to wrestle with sin.

The good news that makes us right with God.

Romans 7 emphasized the law and sin and our inability.

Romans 8 is about the Spirit and the assurance that he gives.

What does no condemnation mean?

It doesn't mean, no accusation.

No Condemnation, what does it mean? Freedom from the guilt of sin.

For Whom is there now Now Condemnation?

For those who are in Christ Jesus.

When God justifies you, you are justified.

The Law of the Spirit of life

We are spiritually empowered to break the bonds of sin.

To be in Christ is to have the life of the Spirit within you.

Are you on salvation's train?

This law is a principle, a personified power within us. Ephesians 1:18-20

God in Christ accomplished what the law could not do V 3

What was the Law Powerless to do? v 3

What the law could not do, God accomplished by sending his Son.

Are you feeling guilty, powerless today?

God has provided His son to redeem us from the guilt and power of sin.

Competing with a 'patsy.'

Three things for faith to cling to when we struggle with sin.

Our ground of assurance and confidence is not what we have done, it is what Christ has done.

In brief, we need grace, not merely law.