



NO CONDEMNATION FOR THOSE

GOD'S EVERLASTING LOVE

ROMANS 8

A NEW LIFE



WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS



We are the hollow men, We are the stuffed men;
Leaning together, Headpiece filled with straw.

Alas!

Our dried voices, when; We whisper together;
Are quiet and meaningless, As wind in dry grass

Shape without form, shade without colour,
Paralysed force, gesture without motion;

Those who have crossed;
With direct eyes, to death's other Kingdom
Remember us—if at all—not as lost

Violent souls, but only
As the hollow men,
the stuffed men.

T.S ELIOT 'THE HOLLOW MEN'

A NEW POWER

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ROMANS 8:9-11

⁹ 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.



“People indwelt by the Holy Spirit still have problems, they still sin, they still make mistakes and have to offer apologies. They still suffer and weep and get sick and die, like everyone else.

But if God has given you his Spirit...you find that your former hostility toward God is melting into tenderness toward God.

Once you were defensive, now you are surrendered. Once you thought God would ruin your life, now you know that God is your only happiness. You are now 'alive to God'."

RAY ORTLUND

1. THE HOME OF THE SPIRIT: YOU

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1. THE HOME OF THE SPIRIT: YOU

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1 COR 3:16

¹⁶ Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?



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1. THE HOME OF THE SPIRIT: YOU

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EPHESIANS 4:22-24

²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²² and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.



2. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT: RENEWAL

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ROMANS 8:10-11

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.



2. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT: RENEWAL

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PHIL 3:20-21

...we await a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body.



2. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT: RENEWAL

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REV 21:1-5

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.



2. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT: RENEWAL

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REV 21:1-5

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."



2. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT: RENEWAL

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REV 21:1-5

⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."



“We thus arrive at perhaps the greatest image of new creation, of cosmic renewal, in the whole Bible. It is the final answer to the Lord’s Prayer, that God’s kingdom will come and his will be done on earth as in heaven.”

N.T WRIGHT

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ROMANS 8:11

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“So for us this is the end of all the stories, and we can most truly say that they all lived happily ever after. But for them it was only the beginning of the real story. All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been the cover and the title page:

now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one on earth has read: which goes on forever: in which every chapter is better than the one before.”

C.S. LEWIS