

L7 | Spiritual Life | "The Mind and Heart of Man" | Rom. 8:1-15

I. Intro/Review:

- Led by the Spirit - taught the truth in Jesus - the effectual working of the word of truth (Ps. 119:11)

II. Preview:

1. The Purpose of our Walk (of our Salvation)
2. The Mind and Heart
 - Thoughts and Affections

III. Sermon:

- The light of the glorious gospel has shined in your dark heart convicting you of sin, enlightening you to God's clean and true and righteous judgment.
- Such light presents to you the remedy for this eternal wound - the spiritual balm of the redemption in Christ Jesus - God's grace and God's desire of your faith in His Son.
- You believe and the Spirit of God seals you, operates within you, baptizes you into Christ, become dead to sin, quickened to God, access, and takes up office within you to teach you these matters and more.
- The Spirit of God gets to your heart through the mind to provide thoughts that the heart may understand and guide it out of its darkness.
- The Spirit continues to work in the inner man to produce fruit in the life of the believer.

1. The Purpose of our Walk (of our Salvation)

- Changed into glory - 2 Cor. 3
- Fruit of the Spirit - Gal 5
- Created unto Good Works - Eph. 2
 - Word of God furnishes us - 2 Tim. 3:16-17
- Fruitful
 - Knowledge
 - Good Works - Col. 1:10
- Christ in you - perfect in Christ
 - Your salvation is perfect, your salvation is done
 - Your complete in Christ, you need not go anywhere else for wisdom

2. The Mind and Heart - the inner man (Eph. 3)

- Ps. 139:23 - search heart and try thoughts
- Pro. 23:7 - thinketh in his heart

- **The Mind**
 - **Predicament**
 - Reprobate Mind - Rom. 1
 - Desires of the Mind - Eph. 2
 - Ps. 10:3 - boasteth of hearts desire
 - Alien thoughts to the mind, presented to the mind, to renew it
 - **Godly Activity of Heart**
 - Renewing the Mind - Rom. 12; Eph. 4
 - Think on these things - Php. 4
- **The Heart - the heart of God is the root of His Word, the Word in the bosom of the Father**
 - Pro. 4:23 - out of the heart are the issues of life
 - Col. 3:23 - do all things heartily
 - **Predicament**
 - Ps. 64:6 - the heart is deep
 - Jer. 17:9 - The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?
 - Deceitful - misleading, a catching or ensnaring. Hence, the misleading of a person; the leading of another person to believe what is false, or not to believe what is true, and thus to ensnare him; fraud; fallacy; cheat; any declaration, artifice or practice, which misleads another, or causes him to believe what is false.
 - **Godly Activity of Heart**
 - Pro. 3:5 - trust in the Lord with all thine heart
 - Ps. 39:3 - heart burn
 - Ps. 51:17 - broken spirit, broken and contrite heart
 - Ps. 57:7 - my heart is fixed
 - Ps. 73:26 - flesh faileth - God is the strength of my heart
 - Ps. 86:11-12 - unite my heart to fear thy name - praise God will all my heart
 - Eph. 6:5 - in singleness of heart
 - Matt. 22:37 - love God will all your heart
 - Col. 3:2 - set your affection (mind) on things above

IV. **Conclusion:**

- Matthew 13