



# THE THREAD

*weaving Sunday's message through the week*

**Date:** October 10, 2021

**Theme:** Living by the Spirit Provides Assurance

**Passage:** Romans 8:1–4

**Our New Reality:** Believers do not face condemnation because they are “in Christ Jesus” (1).

1. Why? The law of the Spirit has set believers free from the law of sin and death (2).
2. How? The Process of Salvation (3–4):
  - a. The Law was powerless because it was weakened by the sinful nature (3a).
  - b. God rescued us (3b-4).
    - i. The Means: He sent His Son (3b)
      - a) Christ became human.
      - b) Christ became the sin offering.
    - ii. The Purpose: He did so in order that believers might fulfill the righteous requirement of the Law (4).

**Main Idea:** We have assurance because God has delivered us from the realm of sin and death.

## Application Questions:

- Why do we as believers lack assurance of our salvation?
- What does it mean that there is no condemnation for those in Jesus Christ? What are the implications of this for the future as well as the present?
- Is the Law of v. 2 something that is positive or negative? How would you explain the difference between the Law of the Spirit and the Law of sin and death? What's wrong the Law?
- What does v. 3 teach us about Jesus? Explain how He is our sin offering.
- How do we fulfill the righteous requirement of the law (v. 4)?
- Do you possess more assurance of your relationship with God after looking deeper into this passage? How so?

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