

**Romans: The Power of the Gospel (The Gospel Transforms)
Spiritual Frustration - March 8, 2017
Romans 7**

Romans 7:1-25

1. Understand the true purpose of the law.

The fact that you feel convicted about your failure, that in itself is a good sign because it indicates that you still have a desire to please God.

God's law was never meant to save us. It was meant to guide us.

2. Understand the struggle that has caused frustration.

Martin Luther once said, "When I became a believer, I thought I had drowned the old man in me but the rascal knew how to swim."

Romans 7 – a personal pronoun is used 41 times.

We all have an I problem. The issue is not sin but self.

3. You can't win this struggle on your own.

It is not about your trying as much as it is about your trusting.

To win this struggle requires dependent responsibility.