

YOUR TWO OPTIONS IN YOUR CHRISTIAN LIFE (Romans 8:5-7)

- Understanding the flow of Romans:
 - THE VICTORIOUS PROCLAMATION.** “There is therefore _____ no _____ to those who are _____.” (Romans 8:1)
 - THE THEOLOGICAL CLARIFICATION.** “For the _____ {ruling principle} of the _____ of life _____ has made me _____ from the law of sin {Romans 6} and death {Romans 7}.” (Romans 8:2)
 - THE DOCTRINAL EXPLANATION.** “For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, _____ did by sending His own _____ in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned {the} sin {nature} in the flesh.” (Romans 8:3)
 - THE PRACTICAL RAMIFICATION.** “That the _____ of the law might be fulfilled _____ us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. (Romans 8:4)
- Galatians 5:16-23
 1. **The precept.** (5:16a)
 2. **The promise.** (5:16b)
 3. **The perpetual conflict between the flesh vs the Holy Spirit.** (5:17-18)
 4. **The production of the flesh.** (5:19-21)
 5. **The positive fruit of the Spirit.** (5:22-23)
- 1. **As a believer in Christ, you have only 2 options regarding the direction of your Christian life from moment by moment and day by day, namely to “live _____” or to “live _____.”** (Romans 8:5)
 - What does “the flesh” mean in this context?
 - What does “to live according to the Spirit” mean?
 - 2 Corinthians 5:14-15; Jeremiah 17:5-9

2. The *key difference* between these 2 directions in life revolve around what you _____ from day to day. (Romans 8:5)

- What does this phrase mean?
- What should this impress us with?

3. The 2 *options* of mental occupation and mindset are to set your mind on “the _____ of the _____” or “the _____ of the _____. (Romans 8:5)

- What do these 2 options involve?

4. The 2 *results* from these mindsets and pursuits are:

a. “to be carnally minded is _____. (Romans 8:6a)

- What does this involve?

b. “but to be spiritually minded is _____ and _____. (Romans 8:6b)

- What does this involve?
- Why is this the case?

5. The *reason* for the “death” existence of the carnal believer is “because the carnal mind ...” (Romans 8:7)

a. “is _____ God”

b. “for it is _____ to the law of God”

c. “nor indeed _____”.

- Let’s apply: