

“THE FINAL WORD” (PART 2)

A four-part series in the book of Romans

THE GOSPEL...

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- 1 A New Status- right with God & forgiven
- 2 A New Family- included in God’s people
- 3 A New Future- transformed life

ROMANS 5:6-11 (NLT)

6“When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. 7Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. 8But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. 9And since we have been made right in God’s sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God’s condemnation. 10For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. 11So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.”

ROMANS 5:15-18 (NLT) *highlight all the positive words and terms in Christ

15“**But there is a great difference between Adam’s sin and God’s gracious gift.** For the sin of this one man, Adam, brought death to many. But **even greater is God’s wonderful grace** and his **gift of forgiveness** to many through this other man, Jesus Christ. 16And the result of **God’s gracious gift** is very different from the result of that one man’s sin. For Adam’s sin led to condemnation, but **God’s free gift** leads to our being **made right with God**, even though we are guilty of many sins. 17For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But **even greater is God’s wonderful grace** and **his gift of righteousness**, for all who receive it will **live in triumph over sin and death** through this one man, Jesus Christ. 18Yes, Adam’s one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ’s **one act of righteousness** brings a **right relationship with God** and **new life for everyone.**”

LEAVING THE OLD ADAM-LIKE HUMANITY

ENTERING INTO THE NEW JESUS-LIKE HUMANITY!

“JOINED TO JESUS“

“When we are joined to Jesus, what’s true of Him becomes true of us.”

“When we are joined to Jesus, we are liberated and empowered to truly love God and our neighbor.”

ROMANS 6:11-14 (NIV)

11“In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. 12Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. 13Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. 14For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.”

Believe in the power of His death so you can behave in the power of His resurrection.

Evil has hijacked the human heart.

ROMANS 7:21-25a (NIV)

21“So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. 22For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; 23but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. 24What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? 25Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!”

ROMANS 8:1-2 (ESV)

1“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

“Condemnation leads to death; conviction leads to life.”

ROMANS 8:31-39 (TPT)

31“So, what does all this mean? If God has determined to stand with us, tell me, who then could ever stand against us? 32For God has proved his love by giving us his greatest treasure, the gift of his Son. And since God freely offered him up as the sacrifice for us all, he certainly won’t withhold from us anything else he has to give. 33Who then would dare to accuse those whom God has chosen in love to be his? God himself is the judge who has issued his final verdict over them—“Not guilty!”

34Who then is left to condemn us? Certainly not Jesus, the Anointed One! For he gave his life for us, and even more than that, he has conquered death and is now risen, exalted, and enthroned by God at his right hand. So how could he possibly condemn us since he is continually praying for our triumph? 35Who could ever separate us from the endless love of God’s Anointed One? Absolutely no one! For nothing in the universe has the power to diminish his love toward us. Troubles, pressures, and problems are unable to come between us and heaven’s love. What about persecutions, deprivations, dangers, and death threats? No, for they are all impotent to hinder omnipotent love, 36even though it is written: All day long we face death threats for your sake, God. We are considered to be nothing more than sheep to be slaughtered!

37Yet even in the midst of all these things, we triumph over them all, for God has made us to be more than conquerors, and his demonstrated love is our glorious victory over everything! 38So now I live with the confidence that there is nothing in the universe with the power to separate us from God’s love. I’m convinced that his love will triumph over death, life’s troubles, fallen angels, or dark rulers in the heavens. There is nothing in our present or future circumstances that can weaken his love. 39There is no power above us or beneath us—no power that could ever be found in the universe that can distance us from God’s passionate love, which is lavished upon us through our Lord Jesus, the Anointed One!”

HIS LOVE HAS THE FINAL WORD!