

(Romans 8:12-14) Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live. For all who are **led by the Spirit of God** are children of God.

“led by the Spirit” = AGO
 = forces affecting _____;
 = to _____; to _____.

(Romans 8:15a) So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves.

1. _____ of bondage = _____

✓ Our high value of _____.

(Hebrews 11:6a) It is impossible to please God without faith,

✓ Our high value of _____.

(Romans 8:15b-16) Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, “Abba, Father.” For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

2. _____ of adoption = _____

(Romans 8:17) And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

✓ Our highest value in His _____.

(Romans 8:18) Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later.

✓ Our highest value as His _____.

(Romans 8:19) For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who his children really are.

--- Led by the Holy Spirit ---

(Romans 8:20-21) Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse. But with eager hope, the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay.

1. The Holy Spirit impels great _____ for our future.

(Romans 8:22-25) For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering. We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when God will give us our full rights as his adopted children, including the new bodies he has promised us. We were given this hope when we were saved. (If we already have something, we don't need to hope for it. But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently.)

2. The Holy Spirit impels great _____ for our present.

(Romans 8:26) And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words.

✓ I am a _____ of God.

(Romans 8:27) And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

✓ I am _____ of God.

(Romans 8:28-29) And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

✓ I am living to show others the _____ of God.

(Romans 8:30) And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.