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## ROME

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## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

## Reality Check

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<sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> For to set the mind on the flesh is death, **but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.** <sup>7</sup> For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

----- **Romans 8: 1-8**

“Truly, truly I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes in him who sent me **has eternal life**. He does not come into judgment, but **has passed from death to life.**”

– **Jesus, John 5:24**

If we **live** by the Spirit, let us also **keep in step** with the Spirit.

Galatians 5:25

## Life &amp; Death

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. <sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you **put to death the deeds of the body**, you will live.

----- **Romans 8: 9-13**

What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For **we are the temple of the living God**; as God said, (*from Exodus 29 & 6*)

“I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

2 Corinthians 6:16

“Mortification (*putting to death*) withers sin's power over you by focusing on Christ's redemption in a way that softens your heart with gratitude and love; which brings you to hate the sin for itself, so it loses its power of attraction over you.”

– **Dr. Tim Keller, Romans for You (2015)**

## Divine Intimacy

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of **adoption** as sons, by whom we cry, “**Abba! Father!**” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs -- heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

----- **Romans 8: 14-17**

And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, “**Abba, Father**, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.”

Mark 14:35–36

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