

Freedom Comes at a Cost

Romans 9/1/24

Sticky Statement: Freedom is yours in Christ, so live in it!

Passage: Romans 8:1-11,14-17; Acts 1:8

1There 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. 3For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, 4in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5For 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. 6For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. 8Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9You, 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. 10But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11If 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. - Romans 8:1-11

1. Spirit-Empowered Life.

Spirit >> "pneuma"

"Spirit, breeze, or breath of God. The Holy Spirit."

Holy Spirits Role

- Teacher (John 14:26)
- Convicts of Sin (John 16:8)
- Source of Power (Acts 1:8)
- Intercessor and Helper (Romans 8:26-27)
- Make believes New (Romans 8:10-11)
- Sanctifies and Grows Good Fruit in Us. (Galatians 5:22-25)
- The Seal of Our Salvation (Ephesians 1:3)

5For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. - 2 Peter 1:5-7

2. Spirit-Empowered Family.

14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15For 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!" 16The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and 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 8:12-17

God's Design for the Church

- Unified (1 Cor 12:12-26)
- Devoted (Acts 2:42-27)
- Thankful (Eph 5:15-21)
- Forgiving (Eph 4:32)
- Selfless (Acts 4:32-37)
- Gifted (Rom 12:3-13)

Do the Word

8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses - Acts 1:8

- Where do I need to begin walking in the Spirit? (my calendar, my dreams, my finances, my family)
- What do I need to surrender for the family of God? (tithe, serve, become an owner, join a group)