

Paul's Letter to the

Romans



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FLESH VS SPIRIT

ROM 8:5

7 aspects - Ch 8

1. 1-11 - Power of HS/'in Jesus'
2. 12-17 - Spirit of Abba/'heirs' obligation
3. 18-20 - Suffering not worthy of comparison
4. 21-25 - Power of Creation - hope
5. 26-27 - Spirit groaning
6. 28-30 - God's ultimate plan/purpose
7. 31-39 - God's power, authority

Spirit dwelling! Vs. 9

- Note: Spirit of God/Christ...
- Have the Spirit = belong to Him
 - Down-payment, earnest of the future
 - John 14-16
 - In/thru the Spirit can we please God
 - God wants to 'dwell' in us! 1 Cor 3:16

“And if...”

- Christ in you changes everything!
 - Christ fill you up, no room for sin!
 - Body (*soma*) is dead... to sin's rule
 - Spirit is “life” because of righteous! (His)
 - The settles the matter – one man's death...
 - As long as Christ in in you –

The Plan...

The life of God does not become merely an *attribute* of the spirit in man through the Holy Spirit; it becomes his *nature*, so that it can pass from the spirit to his whole person, psychical and bodily.

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So, what about the 'body'?

- The Spirit of Him
 - Raised Jesus from the dead
 - Dwells in you (present active) 'house'
- He Who raised Christ Jesus
 - *zoopoieo* ~ cause to live, restore life, increase
 - Body of death now empowered in Him
 - From rot to risen!

Through the Spirit

- The indwelling God...
 - The entire plan of God is in this thought
 - 3x *oikeo* - to dwell, habitation, as a house
 - soma - His temple
 - As the HS proclaimed in 1:4...
 - He now works in us to finish in/thru us

Another 'spirit'... (#2 12-17)

- Law, flesh, sin... uch!
- New obligation, debt (from 1:14)
 - If you live to the *sarx*, you die!
- By the Spirit: 'you shall live'
 - Put to death deeds of the body (*soma*)
 - *thanatoo*, cause to die, render extinct
 - Present active 1 Cor 10:31 - body obeys!

How will you live?

- 'for all' ~ by grace thru faith
- 'being led' ~ surrender to influence
- Spirit of God
- Son of God ~
 - what does this mean???
 - John 1:12; 1 Jn 3:1

ADOPTION

We Cry Abba, Father!

