

# ROMANS 8:1-4

## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

### FROM GUILT TO GRACE

*Our standing before God has been forever changed—there is no guilty verdict for those united to Christ. (Romans 8:1)*

- What does it practically mean that there is now no condemnation—past, present, and future? (e.g. John 3:18; Romans 5:16-18)
- Why is this promise exclusive to those “in Christ Jesus”? (e.g. John 14:6; Acts 4:12)
- How should living without condemnation shape our assurance, joy, and motivation to glorify God each day? (e.g. 2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

### FROM WEAKNESS TO VICTORY

*What the law could expose but not cure, God accomplished through Christ and applies through His Spirit. (Romans 8:2-3)*

- God sent Christ to do what neither the law could do, or what we could not do in our flesh. Talk about the power of the person and work of Jesus and why there is none like Him. (e.g. Galatians 3:21-24; Hebrews 9:11-14)
- Look at the end of v. 3. What does it mean that Jesus came in the “likeness of human flesh for sin,” and how did Jesus uniquely conquer sin, death, and hell? (e.g. Philippians 2:6-8; 1 Peter 3:18)
- How do you see the Spirit’s liberating work in contrast to sin’s enslaving power?

### FROM DEATH TO LIFE

*The righteous requirement of the Law is fulfilled in us as the Spirit enables new obedience and holy living. (Romans 8:4)*

- How is the Law’s requirement “fulfilled” in Spirit-indwelt believers—positionally in Christ and practically in our sanctification? (e.g. Ezekiel 36:26-27; 2 Corinthians 3:3)
- Why is “walking according to the Spirit” not just an idea, but a reality that marks every true believer? (e.g. Romans 8:12-17)
- Those who “walk according to the Spirit” is not a statement of admonition, but of fact that applies to all believers. Why must all believers, in some form or fashion, walk according to the Spirit? What are daily practices that help us yield to the Spirit’s leading rather than our flesh’s impulses? (e.g. Galatians 5:16)