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Romans 7:14-25, Pt 1

Wretched Man

1) Unbeliever

v. 14 – "sold under (in bondage to) sin"

- v. 18 "nothing good dwells in me"
- v. 23 "making me a prisoner of the law of sin"
- a) Does not match how Paul speaks elsewhere about himself prior to his conversion... (Phil 3)
- b) Paul expresses a delight in God's Law v. 16,22
- c) Switch from past tense to present tense

2) Under Conviction

a) Does not take into account the switch from past tense to present tense

b) This is not Paul's actual conversion experience

- 3) Carnal Christian
 - a) There is no such thing as a Carnal Christian as it is defined by this two-stage view of the Christian life.
 - b) Paul writes of his present condition

4) Normal Christian