

## **THE POWER OF A SPIRITUAL BELIEVER (Romans 8:1-4)**

- The 5 primary truths that Paul needed to learn from his Romans 7 experience were:
  1. That he still possessed a \_\_\_\_\_ that was \_\_\_\_\_ and does not improve over time. (7:7-14)
  2. That the Law instead of preventing sin in his life actually \_\_\_\_\_ it. (7:5, 8-13)
  3. That he could not \_\_\_\_\_ nor produce practical \_\_\_\_\_ in his life by sheer \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (7:15-23)
  4. That a believer can live in miserable failure and frustration if he does not understand or appropriate God's way of \_\_\_\_\_ over the sin nature. (7:24)
  5. That just like salvation from sin's penalty, salvation from sin's power involves a focus and faith in \_\_\_\_\_ and His grace provisions, not on oneself. (7:25)

### **A. A VICTORIOUS PROCLAMATION. “*There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus.*” (Romans 8:1)**

1. Why is this needed in your life? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is this exactly? \_\_\_\_\_
3. When is this a reality in your life? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who exactly possesses this freedom and why? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What about the last half of vs. 1? \_\_\_\_\_

### **B. A THEOLOGICAL CLARIFICATION. “*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.*” (Romans 8:2)**

1. What does this freedom involve? “For the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Christ Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.”
  - How often does the word “Spirit” occur in this passage?
2. When did this occur in your life? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who accomplished this for you? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is this a fact to be known or a possibility to be desired? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What was this freedom from? “from the law of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_”.

- How is the word “law” used in this section of Romans?

**C. A DOCTRINAL EXPLANATION.** *“For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh.”* (Romans 8:3)

1. What was the inherent problem associated with the Law’s failure to provide victory over sin and produce holiness in one’s life? “For what the law could not do in that it \_\_\_\_\_,”
2. Who alone has accomplished these amazing feats? “\_\_\_\_\_ did...”
3. How did God do this? “by \_\_\_\_\_ His own \_\_\_\_\_”
4. What was necessary for God’s Son to accomplish this? He came “in the \_\_\_\_\_ of sinful flesh”.
5. What was Jesus Christ’s mission related to? It was “on account of \_\_\_\_\_”
6. What did Christ accomplish for you through His death as it relates to your freedom from sin and death? “He condemned \_\_\_\_\_ which resides in the \_\_\_\_\_.”
  - How is the word “flesh” used in this passage?

**D. A PRACTICAL RAMIFICATION.** *“That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”* (Romans 8:4)

1. What was the practical purpose of Christ doing this for you? “that the \_\_\_\_\_ of the law might be fulfilled in us.”
  - What is the ‘righteous requirement of the Law referring to?’
  - Are these results guaranteed in the life of every believer?
2. What is necessary for this practical purpose to be fulfilled in your life? You are not to “walk \_\_\_\_\_ but \_\_\_\_\_.”
  - What does this mean and imply?
  - How does all of this apply to you?