

ROMANS – LESSON EIGHT

I. THE CHRISTIAN'S RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD THROUGH THE LAW OF THE SPIRIT (Chapter 8).

- A. In Christ, there is no condemnation – free from sin through the law of the Spirit (v.1-4).
- B. Christian walks after the spirit, not after the flesh (v. 5-17).
 - 1. Following after the interests of the flesh is death – following after the interests of the spirit is life and peace.
 - 2. In the sons of God, the Spirit of God or the Spirit of Christ dwells or abides with promise of life for the mortal body – glorification.
- C. Encouragement for the sons of God (v.18-39).
 - 1. Sufferings of present time cannot compare to the glories to be revealed.
 - a. Revealing of the sons of God – redemption of the body from the grave.
 - b. This hope saves the sons of God influencing with patience.
 - 2. The Spirit helps the sons of God in their infirmity.
 - a. The infirmity of not knowing how to pray as one ought.
 - b. Spirit helps the sons of God with their unutterable groanings- intercedes unto God for the sons of God
 - 3. God's plan from his foreknowledge to the glorification all work together for good to those who love Him.
 - 4. Through God's gift of Christ – the sons of God are more than conquerors over anything that might separate one from God's love in Christ.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. The blessing for those “in Christ” is:
 - (a). no condemnation for one's past sins.
 - (b). no future condemnation for one's future sins.
- 2. Identify and describe the THREE LAWS in verses 2-3.
 - (1).
 - (2).
 - (3).
- 3. Describe *the mind of the flesh*.

4. Describe *the mind of the spirit*.
5. How do we know that we are not in the flesh, but in the spirit?
6. *Why* is the body dead and *who* gives it life?
7. How is the spirit of God involved in the sons of God putting to death the deeds of the body?
8. The sons of God have not received the spirit of _____ unto _____, but have received the spirit of _____, whereby they cry _____.
9. The _____ bears witness _____ our spirit that we are _____ of _____.
10. What must the child of God do in this life if he expects to be glorified with Christ in the next?
11. What *creation* waits for the revealing of the sons of God?
12. Who has the first fruits of the Spirit?
13. How does “hope” save us?
14. How does the Spirit help us with our groanings which we cannot utter?

15. All events in life work together for good for those who love God. (T) (F).

16. How is God's "foreknowledge" and "foreordination" involved in man's "justification" and "glorification" ?

17. What is the reason for knowing that God is "for us" ?

18. What should the sons of God consider when they are undergoing the trials of life?