

## "Where the Road Ends...Ministry Begins"

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## Romans 8 Our continued walk in the Spirit

## Intro:

Walking in the Spirit...

V4 In order that=a purpose clause. God's purpose in sending Christ was that He [Christ] might live His sinless life "in" us.

V4= "in" us NOT "by" us. What a difference two letters can make in your theology!!

By us= Religion based on works & the flesh

In us= Resurrection life of the Messiah living out Kingdom values in and thru His subjects!!

Walking in the Spirit means=

1.Christian life is a journey that has a beginning= when God put His Holy life in us. Vrs.9

It is impossible to imitate Christ= vs 8="the flesh cannot please God."

Gal 2:20=Not I, but Christ. I have a choice today, my life or His. My love or His, My goodness or His grace!

See Eph. 5: 18-22

See Gal 5:22, 7 25

2. Walking in the Spirit = It is our moment by moment "walk" of dependence on Him to be our life. [Faith]

Romans 8:8,9= Flesh =hostile to God & cannot please God

Romans 8:5,6= Three Times told to "Set your Mind" Be determined to walk in the Spirit!

**Romans 8:10,11**= tells us that the entire Godhead is "at work for us and in us" to bring us to glory. Look for the "triune God" in these verses. All God is, is in you & for you!

**Rom. 8:12**= "So then,"=result clause. Thus we can live accordingly.

V12= no obligation is speaking of our freedom from the flesh

**Point**: No Christian need live a defeated life. Victory is in us who are "indwelt"

V13=you are to "Put to death the deeds of the body..."= to do so is the way to life in the Spirit.

Remember Romans six and the 4 power verbs:

Romans 6:6 & 9= Know

Romans 6: 11= Reckon

Romans 6: 13= Yield

Romans 6: 16,17= Obey

Your prayer when faced with any challenge to your "faith walk"

"Father, I choose again self, and I by faith Chose Christ as my life. I ask you to meet this challenge in me and thru me. Get Glory in it."

V14= led by the Spirit

This is a lifestyle of choice, not daily, but moment by moment.

V15= Sons not slaves

Adopted= cannot be revoked due to failure on our part.

No fear= God did the work and He is @ work in you.

The cry of the adopted by Grace, "Abba" =daddy dad, or papa! It is a term of endearment honored and encouraged by the Father.