

Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Glory

Romans 8:1-17

1. Spend some time studying the Holy Spirit in this passage. Write down your observations concerning the Holy Spirit's activities and role in your sanctification. Be comprehensive in your observations. Is there anything new that you have learned about this real person, the Holy Spirit?

2. According to the text, why is there no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus? Does this mean there will be no consequences for our sin? Explain.

3. If you have been studying Romans from the beginning of the book, you should be able to trace the logic Paul is using in this letter about the gospel. According to what you have already learned in this book, how is Paul able to say, "Therefore there is now no condemnation."

11. If a spirit of slavery leads to fear, then what do you think a spirit of adoption leads to? How should an adopted son treat his father who has given him such an abundant inheritance? Do you think you have been treating God this way?

12. Consider John 8:31-47; Acts 13:10; I John 3:8-10. If a person is not a true Christian, possessing the Holy Spirit, then whose child is he? According to these verses, what marks can you look at to determine whether you are a true child of God?

13. Ask yourself these questions after your careful look at this passage:

- How does God want my beliefs and actions to change?

- How can I accomplish this change?

- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?