

FREEDOM FROM SIN – PART 5

Romans 8:11 ... “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”

We conclude our study of Romans 8 with today’s verse. To read the entire study on Freedom From Sin, be sure to check out parts 1-4.

We have seen in this study two principle ideas: 1) That your destiny and the possibility of you living a life free of the chains of sin, is a matter of choice – your choices, and 2) that it is only possible to be free of those chains of sin when you submit to the power of the Holy Spirit. There is no other way.

Today’s verse is the most hopeful in this series. It guarantees that when you choose correctly, you will live forever in the presence of God. The alternative is to live forever in the absence of God, which is the ultimate punishment. We also learn today that the same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, is the Spirit that lives in every believer. Satan cannot offer you a deal anywhere near as wonderful as this. Satan offers you misery, death and eternal punishment. God offers you eternal life in paradise, and that is assured you by the presence of His Spirit in your life, which you can only obtain by accepting Christ’s death for your sins. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the grave, will raise you.

Our series in Romans 8, has presented you with evidence of how God can work in your life and free you from sin IF you choose him instead of your fleshly desires. It has shown you that the result of living as a Carnal Christian will be eternal torment, not life and peace. It has shown you that the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life is the seal that makes you righteous and eligible for heaven. It has also shown you that your hope for the future is only glorious if you are connected to Christ and if you submit your lifestyle to the guidance of His Holy Spirit.

We pray that this series has opened up a small portion of scripture for you that may have seemed obscure or confusing before. It is not only a good exercise in learning how to study the Bible, but it delivers the full impact of God’s Word.

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