

## Romans 7:12-18

**12-13.** "Therefore **the LAW is HOLY**, and the commandment is holy and just and GOOD. Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not ! But **SIN, that it might appear SIN**, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful."

- **Psalm 19:7-13** "The law of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_, converting the soul; the testimony of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_, making wise the simple; the statutes of the Lord are \_\_\_\_\_, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_, enduring forever; the judgments of the Lord are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ altogether. More to be desired are they than \_\_\_\_\_, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than \_\_\_\_\_ and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is Your servant \_\_\_\_\_, and in keeping them is great reward (a better life here on Earth). Who can understand his \_\_\_\_\_? Cleanse me from secret faults. Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous \_\_\_\_\_; let them not have dominion over me."
- **Psalm 119:129-130** "Your testimonies are \_\_\_\_\_; therefore my soul \_\_\_\_\_ them. The entrance of Your \_\_\_\_\_ gives light; it gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the simple."
- **Read Galatians 3:16-25** (Verse 19) "What \_\_\_\_\_ then does the \_\_\_\_\_ serve? It was added because of \_\_\_\_\_ (sins), till the Seed (Christ - see verse 16) should come to whom the promise was made; and it was appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator." (Verse 21) "Is the \_\_\_\_\_ then against the promises of God? Certainly not ! For if there had been a \_\_\_\_\_ given which could have given \_\_\_\_\_, truly righteousness would have been by the law." (Verse 23) "But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the \_\_\_\_\_, kept for the \_\_\_\_\_ which would afterward be revealed (when Christ came)."

**Definition: "Sin, that it might appear SIN, was PRODUCING DEATH"** - DEATH is the OUTCOME, the RESULTS, the NATURAL CONSEQUENCES of SIN. "Producing death" is what SIN DOES - IT PRODUCES DEATH, DESTRUCTION and MISERY in our lives.

- **Romans 5:12** "Therefore, just as through one man \_\_\_\_\_ entered the world, and \_\_\_\_\_ through sin, and thus \_\_\_\_\_ spread to all men, because \_\_\_\_\_ SINNED."
  - **Romans 6:23** "For the wages (results) of \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of God is \_\_\_\_\_ life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
  - **Romans 5:21** "So that as \_\_\_\_\_ reigned in \_\_\_\_\_, even so grace might reign through righteousenss to \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus Christ our Lord."
- 14.** "For we know that the law is **SPIRITUAL**, but I am **CARNAL, SOLD under sin.**"
- **Read I Corinthians 2:14-16, 3:1-3** "But the natural (unsaved) man does not receive (understand) the things of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he \_\_\_\_\_ them, because they are \_\_\_\_\_ discerned. But he who is \_\_\_\_\_ judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For ' Who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?' But we have the Mind of Christ. And I, brethren, could \_\_\_\_\_ speak to you as \_\_\_\_\_ people but as to \_\_\_\_\_, as to babes in Christ."
  - **Romans 8:6-7** "For to be \_\_\_\_\_ minded is \_\_\_\_\_, but to be \_\_\_\_\_ minded is life and peace. Because the \_\_\_\_\_ mind is enmity (hatred) against God; for it is not subject to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, nor indeed can be."

**Definition: "CARNAL"** - FLESHLY, of the FLESH, or PHYSICAL BODY. Used most often to refer to a person who is NOT CONTROLLED by the Holy Spirit, but is CONTROLLED by his or her PHYSICAL APPETITES and DRIVES.

**Definition: "SOLD under SIN"** - Paul is using an ILLUSTRATION familiar to the Roman people - that of the SLAVE MARKET. In Romans Chapter 6 he tells us that we were SLAVES OF SIN. How did we end up in the SLAVE MARKET? We were "SOLD" there by our own SIN, and we NEED SOMEONE TO BUY US, or REDEEM US out of slavery.

- **Ephesians 1:7** "In Him we have \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Colossians 1:14** "In whom we have \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_, even the \_\_\_\_\_ of sins."
- **Acts 20:28** "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the \_\_\_\_\_, over which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to feed the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, which He has \_\_\_\_\_ with his own \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "REDEMPTION"** - The act of redeeming, **buying back, freeing from captivity** by paying of a RANSOM. **Jesus PAID, with His blood**, for us to be FEED from the SLAVE MARKET of SIN.

**16-17.** "For what I am doing I do not understand. For **what I WILL to do**, that I do not PRACTICE; but **what I HATE**, that I DO. If, then, I DO what I WILL not to do, I agree with the law that it is good. But now, it is no longer **I WHO DO IT**, but **SIN THAT DWELLS IN ME.**"

- **Galatians 5:16-17** "I say then: ' Walk in the \_\_\_\_\_, and you shall NOT \_\_\_\_\_ the lust (desires) of the \_\_\_\_\_. For the flesh \_\_\_\_\_ against the \_\_\_\_\_, and the Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_; and these are contrary (OPPOSITE) to one another, so that you do not \_\_\_\_\_ the things that you \_\_\_\_\_.' "

**Definition: "What I HATE, that I DO"** - How many times have we said, "**WHY did I do that? That's not what I REALLY wanted to do?**" and the opposite is true: **we DON' T do** the things we would LIKE TO DO, or that we know we SHOULD do. This is the battle between our old SIN NATURE and the NEW NATURE ("new man") in Christ. "**SIN THAT DWELLS IN ME**" is referring to the old sin nature, also called "the FLESH" or the "old man."

- **Ephesians 4:23-24** "And be \_\_\_\_\_ in the spirit of your mind; and that you put on the \_\_\_\_\_, which was \_\_\_\_\_ according to God, in \_\_\_\_\_ and true \_\_\_\_\_."
- **II Corinthians 5:17** "Therefore, if anyone is \_\_\_\_\_, he is a new \_\_\_\_\_; old things are passed away, behold, all things have become new."
- **Colossians 3:10** "And have put on the \_\_\_\_\_ who is renewed (created) in knowledge \_\_\_\_\_ to the image of \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_ him."

**18.** "For I know that in ME, (that is **in MY FLESH**) **nothing good dwells**; for to **WILL** is present with me, but **HOW to perform** what is good I do not find."

- **I Corinthians 15:50** "Now this I say, brethren, that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ cannot inherit the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_; nor does corruption inherit incorruption."
- **John 3:3-7** "Jesus answered and said to him, ' Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is \_\_\_\_\_, he cannot see the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. ' Nicodemus said to Him, ' How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be \_\_\_\_\_? Jesus answered, ' Most assuredly I say to you,

unless one is \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ , he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ , and that which is born of the \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ . Do not marvel that I said to you, "You \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_ again." ' "

**Definition: "In MY FLESH nothing good dwells"** - Our "**flesh,**" or **HUMAN NATURE** is TOTALLY INCAPABLE of DOING ANY GOOD as far as God is concerned. That is why Jesus said **we MUST be BORN AGAIN** !! If you have has ONLY ONE BIRTH (your physical, human birth) you will NEVER be able to DO ANYTHING to please God. You MUST have a spiritual RE-BIRTH by ACCEPTING Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Then, and only then, will you have a SPIRITUAL NATURE that can do God's will as GOD HIMSELF WORKS in and you have a SPIRITUAL in and through you.

- **Philippians 2:12-13** "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, \_\_\_\_\_ out your \_\_\_\_\_ salvation with fear and trembling; for it is \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_ in you both to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ for His good pleasure."

**Definition: "HOW to PERFORM what is good I DO NOT FIND"** - This is the cry of the frustrated person TRYING TO LIVE the CHRISTIAN LIFE in their OWN POWER !! We CANNOT and MUST NOT try to live for God in our own strength, we will only FAIL MISERABLY. It is **GOD who is WORKING IN US**, and it is **by HIS POWER**, through the Holy Spirit living in us, that we can live a pure, righteous and holy life.

- **Ephesians 6:10** "Finally, my brethren, be \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ , and in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ **MIGHT (strength)**."
- **Read Isaiah 40:29-31** "He gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the weary, and to him who lacks \_\_\_\_\_ He increases \_\_\_\_\_ ."
- **Colossians 1:10-11** "That you may have a walk worthy of the Lord, full \_\_\_\_\_ Him, being fruitful in \_\_\_\_\_ good and increasing in the knowledge of God; \_\_\_\_\_ with all \_\_\_\_\_ according to His glorious \_\_\_\_\_ , for all patience and longsuffering with joy."
- **Ephesians 3:16** "That He would grant (give) you, according to the riches of His glory, to be \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ ."