

The Magnificent Gift Called Grace

“But there is a great difference between Adam’s sin and God’s gracious gift. For the sin of this one man, Adam, brought death to many. But even greater is God’s wonderful grace and his gift of forgiveness to many through this other man, Jesus Christ.” —Romans 5:15 NLT

DISCUSSION:

We have heard a lot about Grace in the last couple of years. There is no way that we are ever going to experience all of the grace of God. It is too big and too deep for us to fathom. Here in Romans 5:15, it is interesting that Paul refers to Jesus as “the other man.” Jesus is also referred to as the second Adam. It is the grace of God that overcame Adam’s sin. So we must remember that we are living in the grace of God and that you are an expression of the grace of God. This gift that He has given to us is so great that it overcomes anything that has come before us. We have read about Adam and Eve’s fall and can see the effects of sin throughout the history of man; we have continually caused God to have to move on our behalf repeatedly. Now we see, through Jesus Christ, that He moved in a great way and completely delivered us from our situation of sin. We had been given a death sentence both physically and

spiritually. God's wonderful grace came forth, and Jesus sent justice down. He came down, and He put to death the crimes against us. He placed Himself on the altar, and He sacrificed Himself. That is an amazing thing. There is a great difference now between what could have been and what will be.

- There is a great, great amount of grace that has been given us.
- God's grace completely wipes away the crime and outweighs it.
- There is no way to know how much grace was used up in Adam's transgression. God's grace is so big that it just swallowed it up.
- Other translations of Romans 5:15 say that Jesus *abounded* to many. This word indicates multiplication. God somehow expands Himself out beyond what has happened.
- Whatever your need is, God is able to super-abound, multiply, and expand to go beyond the need.

Justice from Heaven Overcomes the Crime

❖ **Romans 5:16 NLT** “And the result of God's gracious gift is very different from the result of that one man's sin. For Adam's sin led to condemnation, but God's free gift leads to our being made right with God, even though we are guilty of many sins.”

- God's gift is free-flowing
- It comes in and imparts to us, causing everything to be met.
- It goes beyond
- His grace looks at our death sentence of sin and says, “Not guilty.”
- That would be a total surprise to someone who was incarcerated and was facing a death sentence. Imagine you show up to die, and suddenly you are declared not guilty; the death penalty is done away with, and you are free to leave.
- We have been given the gift of life.

- We were born into sin. We are guilty of sins of omission and commission—things that we have done, as well as the sin of not doing what God has asked.
- Salvation was already completed for us. You can accept it at any time.

Come into agreement that God is multiplying, expanding Himself, and covering your needs right now with super-abundant grace.

❖ **Romans 5:17 TPT** “Death once held us in its grip, and by the blunder of one man, death reigned as king over humanity. But now, how much more are we held in the grip of grace and continue reigning as kings in life, enjoying our regal freedom through the gift of perfect righteousness in the one and only Jesus, the Messiah!”

- Death has lost its grip.
- You are free to go. You should not encounter death again.
- Some Christians do not understand or experience this.
- Many times, we can see the term “much more” being used. Paul is describing God’s abounding, multiplying grace. It is our present and future deliverance.
- You have been delivered from spiritual death and are born again. You are a new creature in Christ (see 2 Corinthians 5:17).
- Our last enemy is physical death. Our future deliverance is that we graduate to Heaven. We leave our body here, and we go to be with the Lord.

❖ **Romans 11:17 TPT** “However, some of the branches have been pruned away. And you, who were once nothing more than a wild olive branch, God has grafted in—inserting you among the remaining branches as a joint partner to share in the wonderful richness of the cultivated olive stem.”

- Grace is a covenant membership, and there are many benefits.
- We have been grafted in and now have access to the promise that everything gets better.
- We will live forever spiritually; we will be given a new body, and we will not be bound anymore by this flesh and by this cursed world.
- We are going to be delivered once and for all from this world.

❖ **Romans 5:18 NLT** “Yes, Adam’s one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ’s one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God and new life for everyone.”

- There is a case against us that has been filed in the courts of Heaven through this one man’s sin. It is inherited.
- Through this one righteous act that Jesus did, now we have all been bought. This is the Gospel message that we are compelled to share with the world.
- Jesus’ sacrifice makes us right with God and then brings God’s justice into each person’s situation.
- When this happens, all demonic activity must cease and desist.
- God leads us into a victorious life. We have access to it right now.
- It is not just our status; it is our position, our relationship.
- It is a flowing abundance that flows out of us, and it’s available to everyone.
- We must tell everyone that they are reconciled to God and that our file has been destroyed.

❖ **Romans 1:20 NLT** “For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God.”

- We go through our lives, and we are supposed to be hearing the Gospel, knowing what the good news is, and then accepting it.
- God wants to bring back, His people, His family, to Himself. He does this through the womb.
- He allows people to be born, and then He presents Himself through nature and all different ways.
- Romans 1:20 explains that no one has an excuse because God reveals Himself even through nature.
- Every human being has been bought, but we are seeing 80 percent of people going to hell.
- We must compel people to come in (see Luke 14:23).

❖ **2 Corinthians 5:18-19 NIV** “All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.”

- We all have a ministry.
- When I was in Heaven, I saw that we are all supposed to be in the marketplace to be an answer and a solution and tell people about the sacrifice of Jesus.
- After we tell them about the sacrifice, we are to talk about the fact we are justified. It is as though we never sinned; we are righteous.
- This righteousness leads us into a victorious life.

DISCUSSION:

Most Christians do not understand the victorious life, and so they do not make progress into it. That is the reason why demonic activity is tolerated and why people do not get delivered. They hear about the sacrifice of Jesus, and they accept Him, then they hear about how they have been made righteous. Finally, they hear that they are delivered, but they do not understand that the deliverance is part of the victorious life that you live in Christ while you are still here on the earth. I was sent back to tell you that Christianity does not stop with repentance and giving your life to the Lord Jesus. Yes, you inherit eternal life, but then you are supposed to be walking out and being led into a victorious life while you are here on earth.

- Righteousness is positional through Christ.
- The victorious life is relational. The joy and confidence that comes from the victorious life are relational.
- Deliverance comes when the demons cannot stand to be around you anymore because you become an imitator of God.
- The demons cannot function in that kind of atmosphere.
- The Holy Spirit wants you to walk into a victorious lifestyle.
- The victorious life is an interaction with God, and it is experiential.
- God wants you to experience the righteous way of life.
- I don't want to talk about righteousness and deliverance; I want to experience it.
- I want to experience justice. I want to experience intervention in my life.

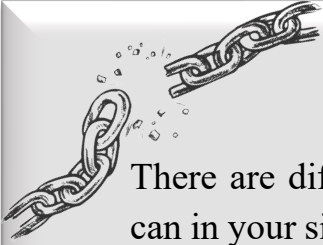
What is the important difference between *position* and *relationship* when talking about and the victorious life?

DISCUSSION:

There is a correlation between sickness and demons, and there are degrees of influence that the devil has. All sickness is a result of our fallen state and this broken world. Satan is the god of this world. God does not have any sickness to give you. He does not make people sick. Jesus did not go around making people sick. He went and did the will of the Father. He went around doing good and healing everyone that was oppressed by the devil (see Acts 10:38). Sickness is a result of the broken world, but Satan is also wearing you down. He may influence you not to eat right or come and disrupt your sleep. You may have poisons in your environment, in your water, or your food. There are all kinds of situations where the demons do not touch your body, but they can influence you to do the wrong thing. You are in the wrong place, doing the wrong thing. Then, after a while, your body will wear down, your immune system will wear down, which is how diseases develop.

- Sometimes Jesus would just cast the devil out, and the person would be healed. Other times He would lay hands on them, and they would be healed.
- Satan is the god of this world, so there will be killing, stealing, and destroying. However, Jesus came to give you life and life more abundantly.
- When life shows up in your situation, you will experience deliverance.
- It may be that a devil is attached to your body, and you are experiencing a sickness as a result of that.
- When that demon leaves, sickness will leave. Jesus showing up will cause you to be healed.
- It is all attached to sin and the fallen world.

What is the will of the Father for sickness and disease?



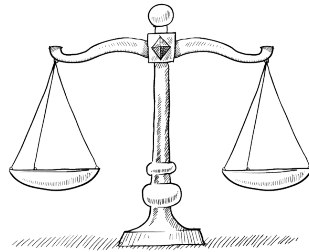
DID YOU KNOW?

There are different degrees of demonic influence, and satan uses whatever he can in your situation to weaken you. satan does not always attach himself to you and cause you have cancer. Sometimes he does it through your own negligence or poisons within our enviornment. He will do it through situations or genetics and it is all satan.

You must learn to discern if it is something that you need healing for or something that you need deliverance from. Whether you need a devil cast away from your body or not.

ACTIVATION:

Be delivered right now in the name of Jesus. Sickness is cursed; I break the power of the enemy over your life. I drive out sickness in the name of Jesus. I cast out any evil spirit that is enforcing your sickness. Step into the victorious life right now!



Obedience Bought Your Justice

“Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.” —Romans 5:19 NLT

DISCUSSION:

Jesus was very obedient to the Father. Jesus walked this earth not just as a Son of God; He walked as a son of man. It is very important to remember that in the New Testament, we still have to obey. If we disobey, certain things will happen because we are disobedient, just like in the Old Testament. If you are obedient and love God and obey His commandments, these wonderful things will happen to you, which are the blessings and curses found in Deuteronomy 28. Jesus talked about how loving God and being obedient to God are exactly the same and can be found in John 14 and John 15. Jesus said, “If you love Me, obey Me” (see John 14:15). He also said that there were benefits of obeying Him and loving Him. “And whatever you ask in

My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name I will do it” (see John14:13-14). You can have great faith because you have great obedience, and this is very important. This life is all about placing yourself where you can hear from God and know God's will. Where you can know His personality, and know what He likes, and then do that. That is what causes great favor because God loves those who are obedient. God loves everyone, even people that are in hell right now. But it is those who adhere to Him, who embrace Him, listen to Him and do what He asks that He shows favor to, and they can be victorious in this life. It is not just about position; it is about relationship as well.

Justice from Heaven Through Obedience

❖ **Romans 5:19 NLT** “Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.”

- Because one person obeyed God, many were made righteous. Many were made *just*, and it is the same word. In other words, they were made *just*, as if they had never sinned. They have been justified. That means they have been made right to where everything is correct and in line.
- Justice comes from Heaven, and it also comes through your obedience. There is a transference from the spiritual into the physical, and you can encounter this by being obedient.
- That is how you encounter justice. You are obedient to God, and He is instructing you. His Spirit is guiding and leading you.
- Because of Jesus’ obedience, it superseded or overcame Adam's sin. Jesus’ obedience overcame Adam’s disobedience.
- Even though it was a huge thing for us, it was not enough to stop Jesus from doing what He needed to do for us.

❖ **Hebrews 10:19-22** “Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and *having* a High Priest over the house of

God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.”

- Jesus’ obedience opened the door for us, and it is a new and living way into the Holy of Holies. Jesus made us perfectly right before God. We are correct. We are justified.
- When you go bowling, you can have people put up the pins by hand, but when that machine puts them up, it causes them to be justified because it is a preset position.
- I saw in Heaven that Jesus Christ, through His blood, justifies us. We can put things together and set them up in our lives, but the true is the preset pattern, and I saw that Jesus is the preset pattern.
- Jesus comes down over those ten pins and justifies them. They might have looked pretty close to being in line, but God has the power to justify us, and this is what causes deliverance in our life.

❖ The Kingdom of God has not been experienced in its fullness yet in the body of Christ. I have encountered so many otherworldly situations that it would take books to describe what I have experienced.

- I saw that we are so righteous. We have been made so righteous, so justified that demons would not even approach us.
- I saw that our spirits have been made perfect to where satan cannot even influence us anymore, but we are not walking in that.
- I saw people in Heaven that have been justified and made righteous, and they were on Mount Zion. They were the spirits of just men made perfect (see Hebrews 12:23).
- I saw that they were so perfect and their character had been so formed, and there was no way that a devil could influence them. They walked with God, and I saw that Enoch was like that.
- I saw that we have been made that way through Jesus Christ. I know this for a fact.

❖ We need to experience this fullness in the body of Christ here. To get this down here, we must teach more and pray more. We have got to get people on the same page, and at times it will be intensive because you must have an environment where you can grow.

- You must end up having soil that is like fertile potting soil you can buy. It has all the nutrients in it, and it is super nutritious.
- Then you must have a controlled environment. You have hothouses to plant in that are humidity and temperature-controlled, and everything grows at an extreme rate.
- That is what I saw is needed in the body of Christ.
- We need to create an environment in our meetings, Bible studies, and get-togethers where everyone feels safe and valued and can grow.
- The door that Jesus opened for us is the door that leads into this environment where we can grow and prosper.
- Where we will find out that we have been made perfect, we have been justified, and that everything has been set in order.
- When you have people that are in unity in the body of Christ, and we are all speaking the same thing, all believing in the same thing, there are no limitations.
- If you will believe nothing will be impossible to you and if we would all agree, nothing would be impossible to us.
- We would get everything we asked for in prayer.
- Jesus opened this door, and you have been made perfectly righteous, perfectly justified, perfectly acceptable.
- You are wholly acceptable to God. That means that there is nothing you can do that would make it any better.
- That is what Jesus has done for us, and it is not going to change.
- You will never cease to be a child of God (see John 10:28-30). Jesus bought you back, and He looks at you as His child.

❖ Every person that ever lived was bought back by the blood of Jesus and was given a name in Heaven. Everyone has a book written about them in Heaven (see Psalm 139:16). Yet, some people go to hell, and they do not need to go to hell. They don't need to perish because they have been bought. God looks at all of us as His children that have been bought at a price. Only we have to accept His way, that door which is Jesus Christ, and we have to go through that door.

- God has given us this perfectly acceptable way through Jesus, and when we enter in, we can encounter things beyond this realm where we will always be accepted and valued.
- However, when the law came into play in the Book of Exodus, we see God giving the law to Moses. We see in Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy people being told that they cannot do this or that and what will happen if they do. It is all about do's and don'ts.
- This whole concept was to introduce people to the fact that they needed God and show them the boundaries in which to live.
- Now in the New Testament, God fulfilled the law through Jesus Christ, and then God lives that out through us, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Now it is based on our will to yield in this and our obedience to the Spirit of God.

❖ **Romans 5:20 NLT** “God’s law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God’s wonderful grace became more abundant.”

- We are going back and forth from Old to New Testament to show you what Paul was trying to tell the Romans here.
- Paul said that the law did not solve anything as far as the sin problem; it just exposed the sin problem. The law was given to show our inability

to keep it. All the dos and don'ts are to show that it is impossible to be perfect on our own.

- Jesus loved the rich young ruler (see Matthew 19:16-22) but said he lacked one thing. Jesus was showing him that even though he had kept the law since birth, he depended on his wealth. The young ruler's wealth gave him the ability to do whatever he wanted and gave him power and control, but he needed to relinquish that control to God.
- The grace of God is more abundant when the law is there. When the law is there, we sin more and more only because it is a reference point.
- It is hard to do what is right because it is not within us to fulfill that. We might have the desire to do right, but we cannot always do that, as we find out later from Paul in Romans chapter seven.
- God's wonderful grace becomes apparent more and more as sin abounds.

❖ When we were introduced to God, we could not fulfill the righteous requirements of what God requires. We could not obey Him even if we wanted to. That reality of human sinfulness (man's weakness) came out and was evident now to see, but it was always there. Now when you want to perform the righteous law of God, it can be done through the Spirit of God. However, it cannot be done in the flesh, and it cannot be done unless you are born again.

- If you are not born again, you cannot please God, and then once you are born again, you cannot please God if you live in the flesh.
- You cannot fulfill the desires of the flesh (see Galatians 5:16).
- You have to walk in the Spirit because the Spirit and the flesh are clashing. They are banging heads together and fighting each other.
- Whenever sin increased in your life, then you depended more on God, and God's grace abounded to you.
- Now you are born again, your debt has been paid, and your sin condition has been eradicated through the blood of Jesus.
- Now through the power of the Spirit, you are set free, and this is where the demonic influence can cease in your life.

- It ceases when you realize that there is enough grace to put you over and triumph more and more, no matter what the devil throws at you.
 - There is enough grace for God to take you even further than the sin, the seduction, or the temptation from these demonic spirits.
 - The grace of God will take you further than anything the devil offers or does to you, no matter what.
- ❖ As a Christian, if you fall into sin, when you repent, the grace of God is greater than the sin. So even the power of sin has been dealt with. As you yield to your born again spirit, where the Spirit of God dwells, you tap into God's superabundant grace, and you live this life out in triumph and victory.
- Here in Romans 5:20, the word for *grace* means *super-abundant grace*.
 - God's super-abundant grace (above and beyond grace) abounds in your time of need.
 - No matter the situation, God is greater, and you step into this endless fountain that you can drink from. You will always find yourself being able to overcome and always able to deal with anything.

What causes us always to overcome sin and temptation?

- ❖ **1 Corinthians 10:13** “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.”

- Paul was telling the Corinthians that God will provide a way of escape so that you can bear up under any temptation. There will always be a way for you to escape so that you can bear up under anything.
- No matter what happens to you, God has already provided in super-abundance above and beyond the provision for that temptation that hasn't even happened yet.
- God is already prepared to go further than sin could take you, and that is why He wins us over.
- It is through this knowledge of knowing that God has attached Himself to us and that we have attached ourselves to Him. We are interwoven with Him, and His desires become our desires, and then we don't want to sin or go astray.
- We no longer want what the devil wants for us because we want what God wants. We are able to say no to ungodliness and worldly passions.

What causes us to say “no” to ungodliness and worldly passions?

❖ **Romans 5:21 NLT** “So just as sin ruled over all people and brought them to death, now God’s wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

- We walk with God in this power, and we can tap into eternal life now, and you do not have to wait till you go to Heaven. The power of the coming age can be experienced now.
- In Hebrews 6:5, it says that we have tasted of the powers of the coming age. We have tasted of the millennial reign where the full authority of

Jesus Christ in the kingdom of God is in the new era, and we have encountered that.

- I had encountered that when I was in Heaven, and when I came back, and I was ministering, I would step into this place that I did not know what else to call it but dominion.
- We think about authority and driving out devils, healing the sick, and raising the dead. But when I raised the dead and saw people come back to life with no pulse or were not breathing, something happened to my heart.
- I encountered something in Heaven that I was now encountering in my heart on the earth. I started to sense it in our meetings at times as though I was in the future when the millennial reign of Christ was in effect.
- I realized that we can tap into this eternal life now, and we can experience this impartation of eternal life that is already in our spirit through the Holy Spirit.

DISCUSSION:

We are in right standing with God now. When we pass on, we will see that we were in right standing all along, and it is the same thing with eternal life. We are going to live forever, and one day we are going to encounter that. When you encounter eternal life in Heaven, you will realize that life was inside you the whole time. You will see that you could have done so much more if you had focused more on the eternal life inside of you instead of your circumstances, and this is part of the process of maturing and growing up. We do not see the miracles and the deliverances because we are not seeing the devils obey us as we should. The devils know if you really know your authority and dominion or not. If you are fully convinced, and God has won you over, then there is a weight in the spirit, and the demons feel that authority and are afraid of you. If you don't have that weightiness of the Lord, if you don't understand authority and are not walking in this relationship, the demons know that. They know when there is a hesitancy within you. Even animals know if you are confident and if you are walking in authority, many animals feel uncomfortable around someone who is not sure of themselves. Other animals will leave you alone if you have authority and confidence about you, and they will think twice about

doing something to you. The animal kingdom understands this and can tell if you are afraid or not, just as the demons can.

❖ Sin reigned in life through this death given to Adam and Eve when they left the garden, but God's grace is going to reign over that and in your life. It is righteousness and justice that have been imparted to you, and it is eternal life, and Jesus has done this for us.

- You are probably experiencing a freedom and a deliverance even now because what the devils could get away with doing to you a couple of minutes ago, they cannot do to you anymore with this information.
- You are starting to understand and grasp this. The impartation causes it to permeate into your being, and it exudes out of you and hits the demonic forces around you.

❖ **Ephesians 6:12** “For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.”

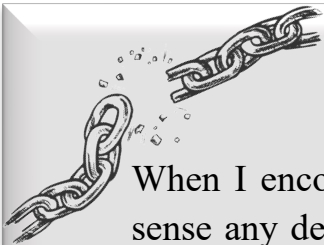
- There are different levels of demons that Paul alludes to here in Ephesians, where he names four levels right there in the Scripture.
- There is a difference between smaller demonic forces and larger ones. Some of the demonic forces at higher levels that inhabit people will come out by prayer and fasting because of their ability and their rank.
- Certain members of the body of Christ are not at the level to encounter these and win in a situation where they are fully convinced.
- The higher-ranking demons understand if you know your authority, and only then will they have to go if you tell them.
- When Jesus told the demons to go, they went, and when the disciples were sent out to cast out devils, they came back and said the devils obey them (see Luke 10:17). However, that was not always the case.
- When Jesus came down from the Mount of Transfiguration (see Mark 9:14-20), there was a great multitude around the disciples, and the

scribes were disputing them. The disciples had not been able to cast the devil out of someone, and there was a big uproar.

- When Jesus asked what was going on, the man said that Jesus' disciples could not cast the demon out of his son.
- Jesus said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." And Jesus cast that demon out.
- When the disciples questioned Jesus afterward about why it wouldn't come out, Jesus said, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting" (see Mark 9:28-29).

❖ **Matthew 17:20** "So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you."

- Jesus talked about having faith the size of a mustard seed.
- Jesus could address anything demonic, and it would go, but with us, we need to develop to that place.
- The demonic beings are at different levels, and we are all at different levels.
- There is a difference between the smaller entities and the larger demonic entities.
- That is how much we must be fully convinced of our position in Christ so we can see these bigger, more powerful demons come out in the name of Jesus.
- It is better with the higher entities over territories that we come together as a body of Christ, as a church together, and come against these things in numbers.
- In numbers, there is more power, more agreement, and more protection.

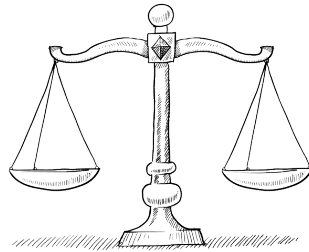


DID YOU KNOW?

When I encounter the powers of the coming age and the dominion, I cannot sense any demonic activity anywhere near me. I believe that it is because my spirit has been ignited with the environment of Heaven, and demons know it and opt-out. That is how to drive the devil out of our midst.

ACTIVATION:

You are beginning to experience the power of the coming age. You are being baptized with power and with fire. Nothing is impossible; just believe.



Total Surrender to Justice

“I’ve used the familiar terms of a “servant” and a “master” to compensate for your weakness to understand. For just as you surrendered your bodies and souls to impurity and lawlessness, which only brought more lawlessness into your lives, so now surrender yourselves as servants of righteousness, which brings you deeper into true holiness.”—Romans 6:19 TPT

DISCUSSION:

Total Surrender to Justice means to rely on the courts of Heaven and what God has planned for you. It is about knowing that your deliverance is sure and that you have righteousness and justice. There is justification, and your life is now set in order. I want you to get this revelation and see the manifestation of it in your life. Then I want you to go out and minister to other people and see them delivered from these evil spirits. We are supposed to be driving out devils, and I know it will even get to the place where just showing up will cause devils to leave. You won’t need to say a word because you are known in hell, and you will be known for your authority and walk with God. He puts us in a place where we prosper and where we begin to see the manifestation of the Spirit of God and the kingdom of God. Here in Romans

6:19, Paul shows us that we do not understand the commitment that we have to the Lord. He says that we used to be slaves to sin and that we didn't have any power to walk away from that, but then God came in and gave us a choice to do what is right, and then He gave us the power to walk it out. If we hadn't been given the power to do right, we would have continued serving the flesh and being slaves to sin.

- God's will is for the Church in the world to be effective and meet the needs of the people.
- The Church has become lukewarm, but the true people of God are those who choose the narrow way, and few find it (see Matthew 7:14).
- The remnant is with God and on fire, and their mindset is that they need to live the crucified life.
- Weakness causes us to choose to either serve God or to help ourselves.

Total Surrender has Delivered Us

❖ **Romans 6:20 TPT** "For when you were bound as servants to sin, you lived your lives free from any obligation to righteousness."

- Before you were Christian, you were a slave to sin. As a slave, you ended up doing things even if you did not want to. Paul is saying that you used to surrender your bodies and souls to impurity and lawlessness, which only brought more lawlessness.
- Be careful who you spend time around because your flesh and your ways of life before you were Christian will come back and present themselves to you.
- You must stand out from among the world and be separate (see 2 Corinthians 6:17).
- Paul says you are going to surrender yourselves as a servant. He calls us slaves to righteousness.
- When you surrender, the Spirit of God comes in and begins to move you and groom you.

- You will feel little adjustments in you, and then you will become a different person, and you will recognize that you are a new creation.
- Once that happens, then you must attach yourself to the righteous living that God offers us through choice.
- As Christians, we are no longer obligated to the flesh but the spirit and righteousness.

What does it mean to be obligated to the Spirit?

❖ **Romans 6:21 TPT** “So tell me, what benefit ensued from doing those things that you’re now ashamed of? It left you with nothing but a legacy of shame and death.”

- Before you were a Christian, there was a legacy of shame and death.
- At the company I used to work for, I saw Christians who were pulled into this past legacy of shame and death and were still encountering it. In their spirit, they wanted to serve God, but they didn’t realize that they had an obligation to live in the Spirit and live a justified, righteous life.
- God has a template for you to follow, He dictates everything about what you do and say, and He creates an environment for you.
- Paul is asking, “what have we gained from the shame of the past?”
- Christians should not take advantage of what God has done for us. We have an obligation to fulfill the desires of the Spirit.
- When we surrender to justice, we are justified.

DISCUSSION:

In my own life, I have experienced being justified. I used to listen to teachings and sit under all these wonderful men and women of God who were generals of the faith. It began to justify me. I felt little shifts here and there; I would walk away and think, “you know, I’m going to change the way that I do this or think this because I just got set straight.” Whatever the area was, whether it was something that I was committing or omitting. Whatever it was, the Spirit was justifying me. In other words, God was making me righteous, and being made righteous is this shifting that places you within the proper boundaries. We are ruled by the Spirit now, but it is not a bunch of laws that we obey. When a driver comes to an intersection, they stop and look both ways. You don’t need a sign to do that because you want to yield if there is oncoming traffic. You do it for your safety and the safety of others because you love yourself, and you love your neighbor as yourself. As a Christian, the law is written on your heart, and you fulfill the law by walking in love.

❖ **Hebrews 8:10** “For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.”

What causes the small shifts that eventually change you?

❖ **John 14:23** “Jesus answered and said to him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.”

- When He makes His home in you, He is going to guide you into eternal life and into a holy life, and that’s because He is the Holy Spirit.
- The Holy Spirit leads you into all truth.

- You will know the truth, and it will set you free (see John 8:32).
- The Holy Spirit is going to lead you into holiness.
- Angels are holy, and they lead you and help you, and they will lead you into holiness.
- There will be a shifting and a justification that happens.

❖ **Romans 6:22 TPT** “But now, as God’s loving servants, you live in joyous freedom from the power of sin. So, consider the benefits you now enjoy—you are brought deeper into the experience of true holiness that ends with eternal life!”

- You are free from the power of sin. That means that it has no hold on you.
- You are free from that power and that authority. You can no longer be manipulated by it.
- We are now slaves of God, which means we obey our master. This is something we want to do; our heart wants to obey.
- You do these things that lead to holiness, and it results in eternal life.
- We are slaves, but free! It is a freedom that we can laugh at the power of sin. We look at it, and it is powerless; we can say “no!”
- You are royalty, and you do not have to sit and see demons; demons do not have a place in you.

DISCUSSION:

We are encountering extreme warfare here because God does not take your choices away from you. He gives you choices, just like Adam and Eve had. If you yield and surrender to justice, the Holy Spirit will overpower you so that what is working *in* you is stronger than what is working against you. You have a deeper experience inside of you than what the temptation would be. This deeper experience is in the supernatural realm, and it causes us to be powerhouses for God. It teaches us to say “no” to ungodliness and worldly passions (see Titus 2:12). You experience true holiness because the Holy Spirit is inside of you. You must surrender to that and allow yourself to be conformed to His image. Demons cannot do anything with a

person who is allowing God to groom them like that. Demons have no place. They come, and they are looking for a way to enter, and they can't. Allow God to bring you into this walk of overcoming and overpowering righteousness. Justice will come into your life, and you will experience something greater than the temptation to sin. When I was in Heaven, I saw that we are royalty and that as royalty, we do not put up with all this junk. If you live in a mansion, you do not want to buy a little trailer home because there is no need for it. If you are a king's child, you are served the meals that the king eats, and you take part in everything that the king has.

What is the “deeper experience of true holiness” that Paul is referring to in Romans 6:22?

❖ **Romans 6:23** “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.”

- Sin pays wages, but it is death. When you sow into your flesh, you are getting death and destruction in return.
- I see many people who claim to be Christians, but they have no victory; they have no deliverance.
- It is because they are away from God, and they are reaping the results of the flesh.
- There is a pattern, and the pattern is that people surrender and allow God to justify them and put them in the proper place.
- God is the professional, and He knows how to set you up to live in holiness and with righteousness and justice. He comes in, and He moves things around, and then everything is lined up. However, you do not have the capability of doing that yourself.



DID YOU KNOW?

I saw in the Spirit that when a demon attacks someone, it is like a pack of hyenas around their prey; they isolate and trap. It becomes a constant process of isolation, rejection, and victimization. Eventually, the person gets closed off, and so we must meet together and have Spirit-filled friends who love God. We engage with other people and with God, and we prevent ourselves from becoming isolated. If we stay together and allow a group of people to be justified and set in God, then the enemy will not isolate and victimize any of them. If you are doing anything for God, you will be targeted, but you must avoid becoming isolated. We must close satan's access points into our lives. We must repent and turn back to God. Evil spirits will try to draw you away and try to get you to agree with something that is not true. However, the evil spirits need permission. Going to a witch as a Christian gives the devil permission. You do not need to go and have your palms read to find out who you should marry or whether you should buy that car. People who do that are being led by evil spirits. You are a Christian, and God has a plan for your life, and it is written in Heaven. Witches and familiar spirits do not have access to your Heavenly books. The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ, Jesus, our Lord. These wages that you get from satan are going to give you death and destruction. He is going to kill, steal, and destroy, but God will give you life and life more abundantly.

ACTIVATION:

No longer will you sow and reap death; right now, you are choosing to side with God and allowing Him to move in our life. You are surrendering to God, and He is setting you right and straight. Sow into the Spirit and reap justice and deliverance!



Thank God for the Answer!

“I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.”

—Romans 7:25 NLT

DISCUSSION:

Paul is trying to show us the contrast between how we were and how we are now. There is so much of a divide between what Paul was saying here and the argument that modern scholars and churches use to discuss the sinful nature. When I left the Bible college I attended, I had more questions than when I went in, and it was because we were looking at the Word of God in our mind and not realizing what the Spirit of God was saying; we missed it. Warrior justice is about deliverance. It is about being set free and then keeping that freedom. Jesus said, “if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed” (see John 8:36). This verse conveys that deliverance is permanent, it is done, and it has been sealed up. So, I thank God for the answer that is Jesus Christ. Paul said that he loved God’s law with all his heart (see Romans 7:22). Paul was a Pharisee, and he was very zealous. He wanted to excel and be the leader under Gamaliel (see Acts 22:3). He was being groomed, and some people believe that he would have been the next leader of the Pharisees. Paul loved God, but he was deceived, and he believed that God’s will was to get rid of Christians; he

was working against God. Paul loved God's law, but he didn't realize that Jesus had already fulfilled the law, and God's work was now taking place in the Spirit.

Jesus Causes Us to be Set Free

❖ **Romans 7:23 NLT** "But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me."

- Paul is talking about the struggle that he had before he was born again.
- For born again Christians, this struggle should no longer be happening.
- We don't understand that we are supposed to be yielding to our spirit and not to the flesh, and so we still have this struggle going on.
- As a result, demons come in and wreak havoc with us.
- Paul is discerning that there is some other power within him, and something in his fallen state is waging war against his moral principles in his conscience. There is a power within him that desires to do what is wrong.
- This power entered Adam and Eve at the fall because their eyes were open to evil.
- Before Adam and Eve had fallen, they only knew good. Once they ate of the tree, they understood the difference between good and evil.
- Man was not allowed to eat of the tree because we could not know good and evil and choose good.
- The law was intended to help curb sin. It is a standard.
- Paul said that suddenly the law became sin to him. The law became his enemy. The war was already inside of him, but it had become an unwelcome intruder into his humanity.
- Because we are fallen, we need to have the law; a standard of what is right and wrong.
- Paul couldn't fulfill it because he did not have the Spirit of God.

What is the power that Paul is talking about? How does it manifest in our lives?

❖ **Romans 7:24 NLT** “Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death?”

- All of humanity realizes that they cannot fulfill this, and they feel trapped. Paul’s cry here is a summation of how people feel in the world.
- Paul explains that sinful desires and death dominate people, and we struggle.
- There is a war going on, and Paul describes it as an agonizing situation and wants to know who will rescue him from it.
- Paul is identifying with how he was as an unsaved person.
- Christians have adopted this mindset, and they feel the same struggle because they don’t understand what is happening within them. They don’t understand themselves.

❖ **Romans 7:25 NLT** “Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God’s law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin.”

- The Passion Translation says, “*I give all my thanks to God, for his mighty power has finally provided a way out through our Lord Jesus, the Anointed One!*”
- We automatically want to gravitate toward the fallen state of humanity. The law and even the natural laws of man try to curb sin but cannot stop it.
- As we get closer to the end times, good will be called evil, and evil will be called good (see Isaiah 5:20). We see governments sanctioning the killing of babies and good people being imprisoned. There is injustice. There are no correct balances.

- We see evil people prosper and the people that are good being taken advantage of.
- Paul says, “Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, that I’ve been set free from this.” He recognizes that without Jesus, he was a slave to sin.
- Jesus is the solution, and this is where the church has missed it; we need to correct it.
- I want you to bring this correction to your own life and then to others.
- There is a solution, and it is Jesus Christ! We do not live in the despair of Romans 7; we enter the deliverance and justice of Romans 8!
- Very few people understand this, though.
- It’s a narrow way because you have to walk in the Spirit; you must be a spiritual person.
- You cannot be any earthly good if you are not Heavenly-minded.
- You must set your affections on things above where Christ sits at the right hand of God (see Colossians 3:2).
- You can love God with all your heart, but another part of you will revive if left unchecked (see Romans 7:9).
- If you feed it, your old sinful nature will revive. Your spirit has been renewed, but your mind and body have not been.
- We have to renew and discipline these parts of us every day, or it will get out of hand.
- As a Christian, if you feed your flesh and mind with bad stuff, you will feel trapped because you want to do right in your heart. The flesh is working against you and against your spirit (see Galatians 5:17).
- The solution to this is being spiritual and yielding to the Spirit of God and not fulfilling the lusts of the flesh.
- Paul had to become a spiritual person. When he met Jesus on the road to Damascus, he repented.
- Jesus taught Paul what he had been missing for years. Paul went to Mount Sinai and was taught by the Lord. He received his letters to the churches from Jesus personally.

How has the church missed the answer? How can we help to correct it?

DISCUSSION:

The demons are allowed to harass and pick on people because we have not understood how we are made. We have not understood what Jesus Christ has done for us, and we have not understood how to process what is going on. If you do not file things correctly and cannot process yourself and how you are inside, you cannot deal with the war you are in. However, if you define who you are, the situation you are in, and how you process things, then you are walking in the Spirit. “But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one” (see 1 Corinthians 2:15). As we graduate now into Romans 8, I want you to take the time to consider and judge yourself and realize that what you thought was you is actually just the way you process, and you have not been processing things correctly. You are judging yourself as having the same issues you had before you were born again. Paul explains that this is what happened to him before he was born again, and now in the New Covenant, he is in the overflow. He is in the overcoming overthrow, and he is more than a conqueror. Your mind is going to want you to think things that are not true. And you will have to judge your thoughts, and you will have to judge your body. You will have to discipline your body, and you will have to discipline your mind. Paul explained that we have to renew our minds by the Word of God. We have to be transformed (see Romans 12:2).

❖ **2 Corinthians 10:4** “For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,”

- Spiritual warfare is controlling our thoughts and any doctrine that is saying something that is not of God.
- We have to bring our thoughts into captivity. Eve should have done this in the Garden.

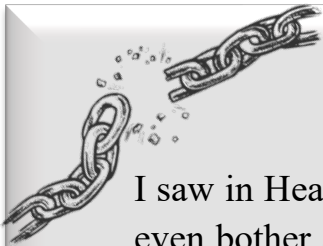
- Thanks be to God, through his mighty power, that we have overcome this sinful nature.
- We overcome by yielding to the Spirit, and we do not allow any fulfillment of the lusts of the flesh. We don't think about it, and we don't act on it.
- We do not allow our body to do what it wants. We do what God wants our bodies to do.
- Our thoughts are not set on earthly things; they are set on Heaven, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God (see Colossians 3:2).
- Christ is seated. That means everything is complete. He is waiting for His enemies to become his footstool through the church.
- The Lord is sitting there right now, and He is established.
- Jesus has done everything He is going to do for your salvation. He has done everything He is going to do about the devil.
- Through the church now, we will see the manifestation of the glory of God, the love of God, and the unity of God.

❖ **John 17:21-23** “that they all may be one, as You, Father, *are* in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.”

- Jesus prayed that we would have the unity, the glory, and the love of the Trinity. He prayed that we would share in it.
- We encounter that unity inside of us now, but we are not allowing it to come out and manifest.
- There is a great victorious roar coming from the body of Christ, and we are beginning to present ourselves without spot or wrinkle to the Lord (see Ephesians 5:27).

- As we come into unity, we become mature and are full of the glory of God, and there is no spot a wrinkle because the Spirit of God, the glory of God is manifesting, and that is coming out from within us.
- We do not need to look for the glory of God; the glory is within us. We are not looking for the love of God; the love of God is within us. We are not looking for unity because the unity of the Spirit is within us.

How do we now access what is already inside of us?

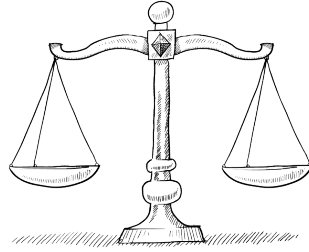


DID YOU KNOW?

I saw in Heaven that there were four levels of demonic spirits. Some will not even bother a believer, but others are leaders over territories. Jesus indicated that higher level demons would only come out through prayer and fasting; you must be more disciplined to deal with them. For these, you need other believers; intercessors who can encounter victory through the established unity of The Body. There are manifestations on the Earth that many would call “paranormal,” but they are expressions of the four different levels of demonic spirits. The first is satanists and devil worshipers, second is ghosts and paranormal activity, the third manifestation is UFO and alien encounters, and the fourth is hybrid beings that influenced ancient civilizations such as the Egyptians and Sumerians. You have authority to trample on serpents and scorpions and you have power over all the enemy and can drive them out (see Luke 10:19). I would suggest, however, that you have people that are interceding with you and praying who are associated with a Bible believing church and that believes in their authority. As a group you can then take care of territorial demons with the strength of the corporate anointing.

ACTIVATION:

Judge yourself now and realize that part of you is the fallen nature, and if you yield to that, your body will want to lead you astray. God has given you the answer through Jesus Christ, and you now have the resolution within you. As a born again, spirit-filled believer, you can yield to the Spirit and overcome the desires of the flesh and live in victory.



Pleasing the Spirit

“Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit.”

—Romans 8:5 NLT

DISCUSSION:

In Romans 8:5, Paul is now speaking to us as graduates. We are not carnal Christians any longer. We have graduated into mature individuals. Paul is no longer talking to us about the condition he was in as an unregenerate person who is going to hell. He is talking to us about the solution. He has been saved, but he is showing us that certain things don't disappear just because we become Christians. We become new creatures in Christ, new creations in our spirit. Our flesh, however, still wants to rule our mind, will, and emotions. Our flesh still wants to make decisions for us. Now we are controlled by the Spirit because we are joined with Jesus and the Spirit of God. If the Spirit controls us, we will reap what the Spirit has and what He does, and it will be manifested in us. Those who think about sinful things are dominated by them. The Holy Spirit has a personality, and the manifestations of His personality are the fruit of the Spirit (see Galatians 5:22-23). His personality influences your

personality, and then His fruit manifests through you. In Ephesians 5:1, Paul tells us to be imitators of God. If you begin acting like God, then it is because you are thinking about God. You think about His thoughts and His personality, and His attributes begin to manifest. You become controlled by the Spirit because you have something in common with Him.

We Are Controlled by the Spirit

❖ **Romans 8:6 NLT** “So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.”

- Paul is attributing the sinful nature to our thoughts.
- He explains that we have a daily choice to yield to the Spirit or yield to the flesh in the carnal nature.
- It has to do with what you are setting your heart on and what you are thinking about.
- We please the Spirit by thinking about the things of the Spirit.
- We concentrate on truth because He is the spirit of truth, and so He likes truth. We don't think about falsehoods, lies, or fraud.
- We think about being motivated by the Holy Spirit and propelled.
- He gives us our thoughts and gives us access to the Heavenly realms.
- The supernatural thoughts we have become supernatural experiences.
- We enter experiential knowledge when we set our hearts and minds on Him.
- Your thoughts are like a GPS. The direction that you program your mind to go will be how you are led.
- We have communion with the Holy Spirit, and in turn, He gives us our perception.
- We experience complete fulfillment and provision through God's peace.

Based on Romans 8:6, what impact do thoughts have on us?

❖ **Romans 8:7 NLT** “For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God’s laws, and it never will.”

- Paul is getting strong in how he is presenting this information. He lived it, and now he is not holding back. He is telling us how to live and how to win!
- Sinful nature is always hostile towards God. Not sometimes, but *always*.
- There are people like this in the natural. I call them “contrarians.” No matter what you say, they come against it.
- People do that all the time, but it is an issue for a Christian to do that. They hurt themselves and affect the whole body when they come against God as a Christian.
- Your mindset must be on the spiritual realm because this is the real realm. The physical realm is fallen and separated from the true realm—the Spirit realm.
- The Passion Translation says, “*In fact, the mindset focused on the flesh fights God’s plan and refuses to submit to his direction, because it cannot!*”
- I see many people who claim to be Christians come against the Gospel message. They claim to be Christians, but they are coming against the Holy Spirit. They come against healing, deliverance, and what Jesus preached.
- When Christians yield to the carnal nature mindset and do not have the desires for the Spirit, then what happens is they start to speak against what God’s plan is.
- They refuse to submit, and so they cannot be led.

DISCUSSION:

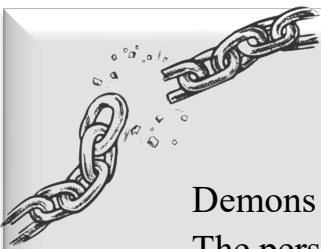
If God shows you a plan or direction for your life and you are not following it, you are being disobedient. If you have done this, you must go back to that point, repent and then do what God has asked you to do. Then God will reassemble everything and get you back on track. If you disobey, you are resisting God's will. People must speak these truths because the truth causes us to make a choice. When truth is presented to us, we have to submit to it. If we submit to it and cooperate, we get direction, and God leads us by His Spirit. However, if we do not listen, we cannot be led because we refuse God's plan. People can work their way out of salvation when they rebel against God and yield to an evil spirit. Paul explains that he would be disqualified and thrown out of the race if he didn't discipline his body (1 Corinthians 9:27). So, if God is saying something to the body of Christ, then the body should respond and submit to His direction.

Take the time to go back to a moment where you have disobeyed God in any way. Repent and then take at least one step toward what He had instructed you to do. Journal here.

❖ **Romans 8:8 NLT** “That’s why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.”

- Paul is saying these harsh things to Christians because he is narrowing the way for us. He is not giving us any wiggle room and is causing us to be accountable.
- A lack of accountability is why our nation is the way it is. The church has permitted these things to happen.
- Individuals have opted out of being controlled by the spirit, and the sinful nature controlled them, and it is hostile toward God.

- Evil things happen in the world because the church permits them. It begins with individuals but eventually turns into a group of people and then into a nation.
- As individuals, we need to take account and choose to please God and choose to work with God.
- When you do, it affects your church and then your community, which then affects your state, which then affects your nation.
- God's plan is implemented in your community when the church cooperates with God's plans.
- The church is called to be the ruling class on the earth, but instead, we have evil people that do evil things because they are hostile to our God and work against Him.
- No matter how hard people try to please God, they cannot please God in the flesh. They cannot produce the righteous requirements of the law.
- The sinful nature is a fallen nature that does not need any empowerment. You need to let it go.
- Do not resurrect your old man. Instead, feed your spirit and your spiritual life. God has no pleasure in those who are controlled with the flesh, period. You cannot please God in the flesh.



DID YOU KNOW?

Demons have legal rights, and they will say, "I don't have to go." The person they are with has given them a legal right to stay through their words and actions. Some people want a demon because they like the manifestation of that demon. People who want to keep a demon, or who give a legal right to the demon, do not get delivered. In Mark 8:33, Peter was influenced by a demon and Jesus commanded, "get behind me, satan!" Peter was being influenced by a demon and he had given it access to manifest through him due to his wrong thinking. Peter thought Jesus was going to set himself up as king, and his wrong thinking opened a door for demonic influence.

ACTIVATION:

You have been given spiritual authority through Jesus Christ. As a believer and follower of Christ, you have been given an obligation to walk in the Spirit because it pleases the Lord. It is time to take care of any area where you have given a legal right for a demon to be around you and influence you. Dissolve every agreement and covenant you have made, and break ties with it in Jesus' name!

