

NOTES

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

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ROMANS 8:1-17

Forgiveness (Romans 8:1-3)

Freedom (Romans 8:3b-13)

Father (Romans 8:14-17)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

1. What are your recurring dreams?
2. Read Romans 1:1-3. What did Jesus do to ensure that there is no condemnation for those who are in him? Why can Jesus pay for all our sin? It doesn't seem like some random guy could just get condemned in our place and we get forgiven?
3. What makes it hard for many people to believe that there truly is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus? When is it hard for you in particular to believe that you are truly and fully forgiven?
4. What can you do this week to be reminded that there is no condemnation in Christ?
5. Read Romans 8:3-8. What does Paul mean by "the flesh"? What does it mean to have a "mind governed by the flesh" (8:6-7)?
6. How does the presence of the Holy Spirit make it possible to "put to death the misdeeds of the body" (8:13)?
7. What practical things can you do to have a "mind set on what the Spirit desires" rather than a "mind set on what the flesh desires" (8:5)? Why is this difficult?
8. What can you do this week to spend time listening to and drawing on the power of the Holy Spirit for change?
9. How does the image of God as Father (8:14-16) bring together our desire to be accepted as we are and our desire to grow and improve?
10. What does it mean to be an "heir of God and co-heir with Christ" (8:17)?
11. What can you do this week to spend time experiencing the love of God as Father?

PRAYER PROMPT: Read through Romans 8:31-38 as a prayer prompt. Do not discuss the passage, but each person can take a line from the passage and allow it to spark short prayers of gratitude and praise to God for what you read there.