

Go Deep

Romans 8:1-4

1. *Read Romans 8:1-4.* Put the main idea of this passage into your own words. What does Paul mean by the word “flesh”? What went wrong with the “flesh”?
2. *Read Romans 8:1.* What is the “therefore” there for?
3. What does the word condemnation mean? Why is there *now* no condemnation? Was there condemnation before? If so why, and what changed?
4. What does “in Christ Jesus” mean? (c.f. Rom. 6:5-11).
5. *Read Romans 8:2.* How is Paul using the word “law” in this sentence? Is he talking about the OT Law?
6. What is the “law of sin and death”? How does “the law of the Spirit” set you free? Free from what? How does this all happen “through Christ Jesus”?
7. *Read Romans 8:3.* What law is he talking about now? What is “the law”? Why can’t people be saved by obeying it?
8. How does the flesh weaken the law?
9. How did sending Jesus do what the Law couldn’t do?
10. What does Paul describe Jesus as being “in the likeness of sinful flesh”?
11. What is the significance of Jesus being a “sin offering”?
12. What is the difference between condemning us and condemning sin in our flesh?
13. *Read Romans 8:4.* What is the “righteous requirement of the law” and why is “requirement” singular?
14. Why does Paul say that this requirement of the law might be met in us rather than that we might fully meet the requirement of the law?
15. What does it mean to live according to flesh or Spirit?