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SERMON SERIES: The Power of His Resurrected Life

SERMON TITLE: The Power That Gives Us New life

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

Romans 8:1-11

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did*: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, ⁷ because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able *to do so*, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. ¹⁰ If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is ^[d]alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies ^[e]through His Spirit who dwells in you.

THE CORE OF THE MESSAGE

When we become believers, God gives us the Spirit of Christ to be with us and in us. The power of the resurrected Christ becomes the power of the believer's life.

Observation #1: God's indwelling Spirit gives us a new position and a new hope. (Romans 8:1-4)

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Takeaway #1: Christ freed us from the law of sin and death.

Observation #2: Because of your position in Christ, you can never be condemned. (Romans 8:1-4)

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Takeaway #2: Christ freed us from the law of sin and death.

Observation #3: Without the law, we would not even be aware of sin. (Romans 7:7)

What shall we say then? Is the Law sin? Far from it! On the contrary, I would not have come to know sin except through the Law; for I would not have known about coveting if the Law had not said, "You shall not covet." (Romans 7:7)

Takeaway #3: The Holy Spirit enables us to fulfill the requirements of the law.

Observation #4: The Holy Spirit wants to control our minds.
(Romans 8:5-8)

5 For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, 7 because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. (Romans 8:5-8)

Takeaway #4: We must allow the Holy Spirit to renew and control our minds.

Observation #5: Victory over sin is possible when The Holy Spirit controls our lives. (Romans 8:9-11)

9 However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. 10 If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. (Romans 8:9-11)

Takeaway #5: The same power that raised Christ from the dead is available to us.