



GRACE-POWERED LIVING

A Study of the Book of ROMANS

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Romans 7:1-14

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Introduction: Although Christians have been delivered from the power of sin, we must continue to deal with the presence of sin in our lives. Romans 7 is an honest look at the spiritual struggle we battle from within.

| Prologue | | Problem of Righteousness | | Provision of Righteousness | | Power of Righteousness | | Program of Righteousness | | Practice of Righteousness | |
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| 1:1 | 1:17 | 1:18 | 3:20 | 3:21 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 12 | 16 |

I. Our Relationship To The Law (Romans 7:1-6)

Romans 7:1 “Or do you not know, brethren (for I am speaking to those who know the law), that the law has jurisdiction over a person as long as he lives?”

Deuteronomy 27:26a “Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them...”
King James version

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Romans 3:20a, “. . . because by the works of the Law no person will be justified in His sight...”

Romans 7:2-3 “²For the married woman is bound by law to her husband while he is living; but if her husband dies, she is released from the law concerning the husband. ³So then if, while her husband is living, she is joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress, though she is joined to another man.”

Romans 7:6 “But now we have been released from the Law, having died to that by which we were bound, so that we serve in newness of the Spirit and not in oldness of the letter.”

II. Our Benefits From The Law (Romans 7:7-13)

A. The Law **Describes** Sin (Romans 7:7)

Romans 7:7 “What shall we say then? Is the Law sin? May it never be! 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.’”

B. The Law **Arouses** Sin (Romans 7:8-12)

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Romans 7:8-12 “⁸But sin, taking opportunity through the commandment, produced in me coveting of every kind; for apart from the Law sin is dead. ⁹And I was once alive apart from the Law; but when the commandment came, sin became alive, and I died; ¹⁰and this commandment, which was to result in life, proved to result in death for me; ¹¹for sin, taking opportunity through the commandment, deceived me, and through it killed me. ¹²So then, the Law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.”

C. The Law **Reveals** Sin (Romans 7:13)

Romans 7:13 “Therefore did that which is good become a cause of death for me? May it never be! Rather it was sin, in order that it might be shown to be sin by effecting my death through that which is good, that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful.”

Romans 7:14 “For we know that the Law is spiritual; but I am of flesh, sold into bondage to sin.”

Romans 7:5 “For while we were in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were aroused by the Law, were at work in the members of our body to bear fruit for death.”

Conclusion