

Living in the Flesh vs. Walking in the Spirit

Sermon 21 in the Romans Series

Romans 8:5-11

Review

I. Life in the Flesh and Life in the Spirit -- 8:4b-9

A. Two Spiritual conditions are contrasted. 8:5-6

v. 6 – Carnally = Fleshly -- mindedness IS death.
The mind of flesh is dead to God.

The Greek is using a form of the same word for flesh in v. 6 as Paul used twice in v. 5.
Also v. 7, 8, 9, 12, 13

By contrast – the Christian life as we live by the Spirit – is a life of peace.

B. At War with God – v.7- 8

v. 7 – enmity = (hostility – even hatred)

v. 8 – Cannot please God.

II. The Christian's Hope -- 8:9-11

The Bible is written primarily to Christians. The true Christian is not in the flesh – because he has the Spirit. We still live in a body that has remaining sin – chapter 7.
But we are living a NEW LIFE because of the indwelling Spirit.

A. We have the promises.

The indwelling of God the Holy Spirit – v. 9

1. The indwelling of God the Son – v. 10

Because of His righteousness –

2. The indwelling of God the Father – v. 11

III. O.T Connections to New Covenant Blessings

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Galatians 3:13-14