

## Romans Chapter 8

### Blessings From Being a Child of God!



Many Bible scholars consider Romans chapter 8 as perhaps the greatest chapter in the Bible (it's at least one of the most important). In this chapter we learn many important privileges and blessings from being a part of God's family – a child of God!

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- 1) **No condemnation! Our sin penalty has been covered by Jesus! (v. 1-4)**
- 2) **Our sinful nature does not have to control us, but we can be controlled by the Holy Spirit (v. 5-9)**
- 3) **The Holy Spirit lives within us! (v. 9-10)**
- 4) **Jesus lives within us! (v. 9-10)**
- 5) **Our bodies will die, but our spirits live on! (v. 10)**
- 6) **We will have eternal, resurrected bodies! (v. 11, 23)**
- 7) **We are God's children, part of His family! (v. 14-17) (See John 1:12; Gal 3:26-29; I John 3:1-3)**
- 8) **We are heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ! (v. 17)**
- 9) **Our present sufferings are nothing compared to our future glory! (v. 17-18)**
- 10) **We have a future glory coming that all creation is looking forward to! (v. 18-23)**
- 11) **We have the great hope of eternal life! (v. 23-25)**
- 12) **The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness, can help us pray, and intercedes for us! (v. 26-27)**
- 13) **God works all things out for our eventual good! (v. 28)**
- 14) **God has called us and is helping us to become more like Jesus! (v. 29-30)**
- 15) **God is for us, and no charge against us will stand! He has our backs! (v. 31-34)**
- 16) **Jesus intercedes for us! (v. 34)**
- 17) **We are more than conquerors through Jesus who loves us! (v. 37)**
- 18) **NOTHING can separate us from the love of God found in Christ Jesus our Lord! (v. 38-39) (See John 10:27-30)**
- 19) **Other?**

**predestined** - predetermined; note carefully in v. 29 that it is based upon "foreknowledge" (cf. **1Pe 1:2**), and that which is predetermined is WHAT those in Christ are to become, not WHO are to be in Christ

## **ANOTHER MORE TRADITIONAL OUTLINE:**

### **I. IN CHRIST THERE IS FREEDOM FROM SIN (1-17)**

#### **A. FREEDOM FROM THE CONDEMNATION OF SIN (1-4)**

1. Available to those in Christ, made possible by the law of the Spirit of life (1-2)
2. An accomplishment not attained by the Law, but by the death of Christ (3-4)

#### **B. FREEDOM FROM THE POWER OF SIN (5-17)**

1. To those who set their minds on the things of the Spirit, not the flesh, pleasing God (5-8)
2. To those who have the indwelling Holy Spirit (9-11)
3. To those who by the Spirit put to death the deeds of the body (12-13)
4. To those thus led, who are the children of God and joint heirs with Christ (14-17)

### **II. BLESSINGS OF BEING CHILDREN OF GOD (18-39)**

#### **A. THE GLORY TO BE REVEALED IN US (18-25)**

1. Present sufferings don't even compare (18)
2. The whole creation eagerly awaits for the revealing and glorious liberty of the children of God (19-22)
3. We also eagerly await with perseverance for this hope (23-25)

#### **B. THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (26-27)**

1. Helps in our weakness as we pray (26a)
2. By interceding for us as we pray (26b-27)

#### **C. ALL THINGS WORKING TOGETHER FOR GOOD (28-30)**

1. For those who love God, called according to His purpose (28)
2. For such, whom God foreknew, He will carry out His ultimate purpose (29-30)

#### **D. GOD'S LOVE TOWARD HIS CHILDREN (31-39)**

1. God, who spared not His own Son, is on our side (31-33)
2. Christ, who died for us, now intercedes for us at God's right hand (34)
3. Through such love we are more than conquerors over all things (35-39)