

Rom. 8:12-17

- I. Therefore, we have no reason or obligation to live according to the flesh (12)
 - A. Therefore brothers, we are not debtors to the flesh (12a)
 - B. Purpose: in order to live according to flesh (12b)
- II. Reason: The flesh is death, but the spirit is life and proves life (13-17)
 - A. The flesh is death, but killing the flesh is life (13)
 - 1. Neg: If you live according to the flesh, you will die (13a-b)
 - a For if you live according to flesh (13a)
 - b You are about to die (13b)
 - 2. Pos: But if you put the deeds of the flesh to death, you will live (13c-d)
 - a If you put to death the practices of the body (13c)
 - b You will live (13d)
 - B. Reason: Those led by the Spirit have proof of life by the presence of the Spirit (14-17)
 - 1. Those led by the Spirit are sons of God (14)
 - a For whoever is being led by the Spirit of God (14a)
 - b These ones are sons of God (14b)
 - 2. The Spirit testifies, giving us proof that we are children and heirs of God (15-17)
 - a For we did not receive a spirit of fear, but of adoption (15)
 - 1) Neg: For you did not receive a spirit of slavery again into fear (15a)
 - 2) Pos: But you received a spirit of adoption that cries “Father” (15b-d)
 - a) But you received a spirit of adoption (15b)
 - b) Result: By this spirit, we cry out “Father” (15c-d)
 - (1) By Whom, we are crying out (15c)
 - (2) “Abba, Father” (15d)
 - b Result: We have proof that we are children of God and heirs (16-17)
 - 1) The Spirit testifies that we are children of God (16)
 - a) The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit (16a)
 - b) That we are children of God (16b)
 - 2) Children of God are heirs of God with Christ (17)
 - a) Being children means being heirs (17a-b)
 - (1) If we are children (17a)
 - (2) Then we are also heirs (17b)
 - b) Specifically, heirs of God, and heirs with Christ (17c-f)
 - (1) We are heirs of God (17c)
 - (2) And heirs with Christ, sharing in His suffering and glory (17d-f)
 - (a) And also, heirs together with Christ (17d)
 - (b) If indeed we suffer with Him, in order to be glorified with Him (17e-f)
 - (i) If indeed we are suffering with [Him] (17e)
 - (ii) Purpose: So that we will also be glorified with [Him] (17f)