

Romans 8:9-14

Christ in You

1. 8:9 – Spirit of Christ

- a. You received the Spirit upon belief of the gospel – Eph 1:13, 1 Cor 3:16
- b. 8:9 – Spirit of Christ = the Holy Spirit given by faith in Jesus Christ.
- c. Spirit of God = Spirit of Christ = Christ is God; Holy Spirit of God and Christ.
- d. *“the glory of this mystery... which is Christ in you, the hope of glory”* - Col 1:27 cf. Rom 8
- e. The mystery = Christ in you = Spirit of Christ dwells in you acc. to this fellowship.

2. 8:10 – Christ in You

- a. Christ died because of sin. Christ resurrected to life because of righteousness – Rom 1:4
- b. *“if Christ be in you”* – then (acc. to the mystery) you are dead and risen with him.
- c. *“the body is dead”* = we are crucified with Christ - Gal 2:20, Rom 6:6
 - i. *“because of sin”* – sin dwelling in us, our bodies are dead now in Christ.
- d. *“but the Spirit is life”* – in the Spirit, Christ lives in me, *“yet I live”* Gal 2:21, Rom 6:8
 - i. The Spirit is what identifies you with Christ (baptism) – Rom 8:9, 1 Cor 12:13
- e. *“because of righteousness”* – imputed by faith, now alive in Christ - Rom 5:1, 5, 8:4
 - i. Grace reigns through this righteousness freely given – Rom 3:24, 5:21, 6:23

3. 8:11 - Indwelling Spirit

- a. *“Spirit of him that raised up Jesus”* - 1 Pet 3:18 (also Gal 1:1, Act 13:33, Jn 2:19, 10:18)
- b. Remember Rom 7:17,18,20 – *“sin dwelleth in me”, “in me dwelleth no good thing”*
- c. But now the Spirit of God dwells in you (that is your body) – 1 Cor 3:16, 6:19
- d. The Holy Ghost keeps, seals, establishes, sanctifies, quickens – 2 Cor 1:21-22, Tim 1:14
- e. *“raised up Christ from the dead”* – literally, physically, from mortal flesh to glory
- f. *“shall also quicken your mortal bodies”* – in heavenly glory - Rom 8:18, 8:23, 2 Cor 5:4-5
 - i. Also – to be used for service now - 1 Cor 6:13, 6:20, 9:27, 1 Th 5:23, 4:3-4
 - ii. This the great mystery of godliness – in Christ, in the Spirit, acc. to the mystery.

4. 8:12 – Indebted to the Spirit

- a. *“Therefore”* – because of these things that the Spirit does dwelling in us, we are...
- b. Debtor ~def. A person who owes another; under obligation to do something.
- c. *“not to the flesh”* – You owe flesh nothing to live after it – ‘you owe it to yourself’, yolo
- d. Neither do you owe anything to religion – Gal 6:12-14
- e. Jesus died for all, all to him I owe – to live (my life) is Christ – 2 Cor 5:14-15

5. 8:13 – Life and Death

- a. *“for if ye”* - A return to the conditional issue of 8:1, 8:4 – ‘who walk after...’
- b. You are not your own, the flesh and its “life worth living”, leads to sin, self, and death.
- c. *“through the Spirit”* – necessary! Else you return to the self-effort/control of Rom 7:25
- d. *“mortify the deeds of the body”* – through the things of the Spirit – Gal 6:8
- e. This is not justification/sanctification/salvation, which does not depend on your deeds!

6. 8:14 – Led by the Spirit

- a. *“Follow the Spirit’s leading” “I felt led to do this” “The Spirit is leading me to say...”*
- b. Everyone is led by something: ‘being led’ is to be instructed to follow a course – Eph 2:2
- c. Led by circumstances, feelings, flesh, desires, dreams is not being led by the Spirit
- d. Being led by the Spirit is knowing where the Spirit wants us to go (e.g. God’s will)
- e. Where is he leading? - 1 Tim 2:4, 2 Cor 5:17, 1 Cor 2:12, Rom 8:9-13
- f. The Spirit instructs through the word of God (leading), we choose to hold the course
- g. Living in (being led by) is different than walking after – Gal 5:18, Gal 5:24-25