

**WINNING THE WAR WITHIN**  
**Masterclass for Life #1**  
**June 14, 2026**  
**Romans 8:1-17**

**Big Idea:** The Holy Spirit resides \_\_\_\_\_ to help you win the \_\_\_\_\_.

**HELP WITH THE WAR WITHIN**

1. Rejoice in your \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ through life in Christ. (v. 1-4)
  - Life in Christ frees you by \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.
    - ◆ God's grace erases your \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ◆ Feelings of \_\_\_\_\_ after grace are not from God.
  - Life in Christ frees you from the law of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ◆ Life in Christ is not about \_\_\_\_\_ harder but \_\_\_\_\_ Him more.
  - Life in Christ credits you with His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Rely on \_\_\_\_\_ to win the war within. (v. 4-8)
3. Recognize the Holy Spirit's validation of your \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 9-17)
  - His presence affirms your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - His presence guarantees your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - His leadership transforms your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - His peace affirms your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

## DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday:** Read and reflect on Romans 8:1-2 & 6:23. In Christ we find grace through faith to be freed from the death sentence of sin. God's grace erases our guilt. It's obvious how that matters for life after death, but what about our life now? Feelings of guilt after receiving grace are not from God but from the enemy! Our motivation for following Jesus is gratitude not guilt. Which one motivates you?

**Tuesday:** Read Romans 3:28 & 8:3-4. How does life in Christ free us from the pressure of performance to earn God's blessings? Life in Christ is not about trying harder but trusting Him more. This is not an endorsement of laziness or a license to sin. It is an inspiration to trust and follow Christ who loves and blesses us even when we fall short. The more we trust and the longer we follow the more we become like Him.

**Wednesday:** Read Romans 8:4-8. What difference does it make to walk by the flesh vs by the Spirit? Read about it in Gal. 5:16-26. Wow, what a difference!! How can we "walk by the Spirit"? Focus your mind on what the Spirit desires (the Bible He inspired 2 Peter 1:20-21; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). Follow the Spirit's leadership to obey what God commands. Obeying the Spirit's leadership is like fertilizer for the fruit of the Spirit.

**Thursday:** Do you ever have doubts about your salvation? Read 1 John 5:11-13. Assurance of salvation is based on what God says not how you feel. Feelings are fickle but God's word is changeless. Read Rom. 8:9-14. The Holy Spirit's presence in you affirms your salvation. How can you tell if He resides inside you? First, God's word says it (v. 9). Second, His leadership transforms your behavior. How are you different from when you first trusted in Jesus? That's evidence!!

**Friday:** Read John 14:15-17. What did Jesus call the Holy Spirit? Read John 14:25-27 and Romans 8:15-17. How does He help us? He teaches us what we need to know and reminds us of what Jesus said. He gives us peace, and that peace affirms our identity and inheritance in Christ. He wants your fear to be replaced by His peace. His peace is evidence you are a child of God and heir to eternal glory.