

Reformation Week #9b

Romans Recap:

Chapter 1: Depravity of _____

Chapters 2-3: Barrenness of _____

Chapters 4-6: Justification by _____

Chapters 7-8: Appropriating the _____

I. Possessing Your Possessions

1. *Appropriating faith* means I am saved by _____ and grow by trusting and _____ – not trying.
2. Many today have experienced forgiveness from the _____ of sin but not the release from the _____ of sin.
3. Grace has the power to redeem and to _____.

Romans 6:14

For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.

John 8:36

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

II. Setting Your Course

Romans 8:5-11

Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; ⁷the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹¹And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

1. Make sure you're set for God's _____ – not your personal _____.
2. A proper _____ will begin to reveal familiar landmarks.

Romans 12:1

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.

III. Earning Your Wings

You're ready to fly when....

1. You're led by the _____

- The greatest hindrance to being led today is the lack of a daily _____.

Joshua 1:8

Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

- The second greatest hindrance is failure to _____ when the Spirit's leading is revealed.

2. You have _____ faith vs. _____ faith

- You will never follow _____ what you don't love _____.

- Intimacy with God releases you from the fear of _____.

3. You share in Christ's _____

- _____ occurs when we are united with Christ in his death, while _____ occurs when we sorrow in that which brought about his death.
- Suffering with Christ is being _____ by that which grieves the Lord.

To utter "Abba" reveals unreasoning trust; it is a result of your feelings for God and not just your beliefs about him.

Philippians 2:5

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

Micah 6:8

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

IV. Preparing for Arrival

1. After our adoption God begins the process of _____.

Our current trials don't even register in comparison to our future.

- We are being fit for another _____.
- In the meantime we have a full-time _____.