



Hill Cliffe Study Guide
Sunday 25 Feb 2024
#2 Romans 8 Verses 8-14

1. What impacted you most from the Sermon on Sunday?

Please read Romans 8.8-14

Please read Romans 8.8-9 & Ezekiel 36.25-27

2. During Sunday's sermon, I mentioned 3 ways in which we can be assured that we are *'in Christ'* and *'in the realm of the Spirit'*. What were they? And what assurance do you take from checking your own heart and your own desires against Ezekiel 36.25-27?

Please read Romans 8.9 & John 14.23-24

In Romans 8.9, Paul says that 'belonging to Christ' identifies those in whom the Spirit lives. 'Belonging to Christ' is the language of ownership or Lordship.

3. For the Roman Christians, why was it important and costly for them to declare & demonstrate that they belonged to Jesus – that He was LORD of their lives?
4. Is it still important that we declare and demonstrate that we *'belong to Christ'* as LORD of our lives today? And is it still costly?

Please read Romans 8.10 & 2 Corinth 4.16 (& Psalm 23 if time)

5. What's your own experience of this evidence of this spiritual reality in your life?

Please read Romans 8.11

6. Take a moment in your group to worship God together in response to the truth of this verse.

A Summary of Paul's Teaching from Romans 8.1-11

- a. No Condemnation for those in Christ*
- b. Jesus our Sin Offering – our sins justly removed*
- c. Made Right with God – sharing in Christ's holiness*
- d. Spirit of Life and Freedom – deliverance from bondage to sin & death*
- e. 2 Ways to Live – realm of the flesh or realm of the Spirit*

Now for his application (his challenging call for response) at the end of this teaching section...

Please read Romans 8.12-14 & John 14.15-18 & Galatians 5.24-25

Those who are 'led by the Spirit of God' is the very definition of what it means to be a Child of God – to be in a dynamic, trusting, obedient and responsive relationship with our LORD.

7. How do you respond to Paul's challenge to us in Romans 8.12-14?
8. What is your first next step?