

THE BATTLE WITHIN

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THE BIG 3

THREE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

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Review Romans 7:7-13

1. The Law of God is not the problem. Like an X-ray, the Law reveals that your PROBLEM is your SIN NATURE.
2. You must NOT MINIMIZE your sin nature & its adversarial tendency toward the statutes & commandments of God.
3. Sin must become UTTERLY SINFUL.

Facing the Battle Within, Continued Romans 7:13-25

- I. Following Jesus is NOT about TWEAKING your sin nature because nothing good dwells in it.
- II. The culprit, identified as the adversary to sanctification in your life, is INDWELLING sin.
 - Paul found himself CHECKMATED by sin.

The Answer

Mankind needs a DELIVERER.

Perspective

You need to go THROUGH Romans 7 to COMPREHEND what Romans 8 is revealing. We can't understand what freedom is in Jesus until we understand He is setting us free from the DOMINANCE of our sin nature.

Conclusion

Knowing the source of the problem is your sin nature, you are to CRY OUT to Jesus for deliverance.

- *Sanctification* - to make holy, set apart from common usage, it implies both a change of status - you are MADE HOLY by the sacrifice of Christ & a change of state - BECOMING WHOLLY God's in all areas of life.

Application

JESUS is "the vehicle we get into".

- Whether it is salvation or sanctification the PROBLEM is the same, it's the sin nature. The SOLUTION for both these cases is CRYING OUT to Jesus, depending on Him for deliverance.

LEGACY SOCIAL

The Community Life team invites individuals in the mid to later portion of their life journey to a Legacy Social on Wednesday, October 16 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Great Room. Every four months, we plan to hold a meal & a brief talk on subjects relevant for navigating the dynamics of later life, including aspects of health, along with an ongoing conversation about what it means to have the legacy Christ wants for our lives. Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling the church office or emailing Matt Douglas at mdouglas@gracepointwesleyan.org.

20s DINER

College students, interested in a FREE meal? Come to 20s Diner October 20 after second & third service in the Great Room. Bring a friend!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m on Thursday, October 31 for a FREE annual event with the most candy per square foot in Brookings! There will be games, kids' activities & hot dogs for the whole family. Trunk or Treat provides a safe, family-friendly evening of fun & fellowship, where we can connect with new friends & neighbors while serving our community in the love of Jesus. Email communitylife@gracepointwesleyan.org for opportunities to serve!

