

*Paul's Letter to the*  
**Romans**



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# BLESSINGS SO FAR

JUST IN CHAPTER 8

1. There is No Condemnation for us (v. 1)
2. We've been Set Free from the law of sin and death. (v. 2)
3. We will be raised from the dead. (v. 11)
4. The Spirit leads us. (v. 14)
5. We are sons of God. (v. 14)
6. Adopted into the family of God (v. 15)
7. Can call out to God as "Abba Father". (v. 15)
8. The Spirit Testifies that we are Children of God (v. 16)
9. We've become heirs of God, fellow heir with Christ (v. 17)
10. Suffering—yes, of course (v. 18)
11. NOTHING to be compared to what is to come. (v. 18)



# THE ENCOURAGING WORK OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD



- 1) He Helps our weaknesses. (v. 26)
- 2) He Intercedes on our behalf. (v. 26-27)
- 3) He Ensures The success of our prayers, according to the will of God. (v. 27)

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THE THIRD PERSON OF THE TRINITY



## A. He has Intellect

1. He counsels (Is. 11:2)
2. He imparts wisdom (Is. 11:2)
3. He inspired Scripture (Acts 1:16; Heb. 3:7; 1 Peter 1:11; 2 Peter 1:21)
4. He intercedes (Rom 8:26)
5. He has knowledge (Is 11:2)
6. He has a mind (Rom 8:27, 1 Cor. 2:10-13)
7. He reminds us of things (John 14:26)
8. He teaches us (John 14:26; Luke 12:12; 1 Cor. 2:13; Heb 9:8)
9. He speaks (Acts 8:29; 10:19; 11:12; 13:2; 28:25; Rev. 2:7-3:22).
10. He testifies (John 15:26; 1 Jn. 5:7-8)

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## B. He has Volition/Will

1. He contends/strives
2. He guides and directs people.
3. He gives gifts (spiritual).
4. He regenerates the believer.

(Gen. 6:3; Acts 7:51)

(Acts 16:6-7)

(1 Cor. 12:11; Heb 2:4)

(Jn 3:7-8; Titus 3:5).

## C. He has Emotion.

1. He experiences Joy.
2. He can be insulted.
3. He can be grieved.
4. He loves .

(1 Thess 1:6)

(Heb 10:29)

(Is. 63:10; Eph. 4:30)

(Rom. 5:5; 15:30; Gal 5:22)

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He can be:

1. Lied to. (Acts 5:3)
2. Neglected. (Gal. 3:3-6; 5:17)
3. Stifled (suppressed or 'quenched') (1 Thess. 5:19)
4. Tested. (Acts 5:9).



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He IS God.

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| 1) He is <u>Eternal</u> | (Heb 9:14)                                  |
| 2) Has <u>glory</u>     | (1 Peter 4:14; cf. Is. 42:8; 48:11)         |
| 3) Is <u>Holy</u>       | (Ps 51:11; Is. 63:10-11; Mat 1:18; Rom 1:4) |
| 4) <u>Omnipotent</u>    | (Gen 1:1-2; Luke 1:35; Rom 1:4)             |
| 5) <u>Omnipresent</u>   | (Ps 139:7-10; cf Jer. 23:24)                |
| 6) <u>Omniscient</u>    | (Is. 40:13; 1 Cor. 2:10-11)                 |
| 7) Called <u>God</u>    | (Acts 5:3-4)                                |



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## LUKE 11:11

“Now suppose one of you fathers is asked by his son for a fish; he will not give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? “Or if he is asked for an egg, he will not give him a scorpion, will he?”



“God always gives us what we ask or something better.”

William MacDonald

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## WHEN RIGHTFULLY UNDERSTOOD



1. Should add an element of seriousness and weight to your prayers.
2. Tells us just how important prayer is.
3. Helps us see the Power of prayer.
4. Lets us know that our prayers are important to God and that He is even helping us with them to bring about His perfect will by them.
5. Knowing this, why WOULDN'T we pray?

# 1 COR. 2:9-13

“As it is written, “THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND which HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN, ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM.”



For to us God revealed them through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.”

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