

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 8:1-8

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“The Declaration of Dependence” – Part 2

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology
And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

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The Second Virginia Convention, St. John’s Church Richmond Va.

March of 1775

As the 13 State Delegates gathered to discuss the looming prospects of war with Great Britain, most wavered and even suggested to even greater submission to The Tyrant King George The 3rd. - - But a man stood up and delivered one of History’s most famous speeches.

“Gentlemen may cry, ‘Peace, Peace,’ but there is no peace. The war is actually begun! The next gale that sweeps from the north will bring to our ears the clash of resounding arms! Our brethren are already in the field! Why stand we here idle? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!”

The Declaration of Independence

July 4th. 1776

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and of nature’s God entitle them.

And Again – Another Call to Freedom was heard
across the land when on *February 26th. 2023*

The Declaration of Dependence

was read at the 1st / the 2nd / the 3rd Gathering of The
Delegates of Heaven All Being Assembled...

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are IN Christ Jesus,

From the battlefield of the Soul – Paul cries out...

Romans 7:24-25

O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

The Declaration Of Dependence

1.) There is Therefore Now Absolute Freedom

vs. 1a

Romans 8:1-8

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are IN Christ Jesus,

This is the Full Assurance of Salvation – FULL. PERIOD.

There are no viable arguments to contradict this verse. And the Scriptures do continue with this FULL ASSURANCE.

“There is therefore now no condemnation – means NONE. EVER. NEVER.

There can NEVER be anything or anyone who can CONDEMN you as a New Creation
- Follower of Jesus Christ.

Sadly Today - Many Churches Preach a “Gospel” that Strangely
becomes silent after one has “Accepted” Jesus Christ and not much
Discipleship happens after that initial Decision. That Explains the
condition of the church in America today.

Therefore You Are Free...

1a.) From the weight of condemnation

vs. 1a

1b.) When your guilt is uncovered

vs. 1a

1c.) In the moment conviction takes hold

vs. 1a

Therefore You Are Free...

1d.) From the grief caused by personal sin vs. 1a

1e.) From undue burdens that lead to suffering vs. 1a

1f.) From the sorrow – that could consume you vs. 1a

1g.) From the blinding power of worry vs. 1a

1h.) And from the suicidal fear of hopelessness vs. 1a

Our Declaration Of Dependence Sounds Like This...

Romans 8:1-8

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Dr. Martin Lloyd Jones said that “On whatever chapter a Pastor is teaching from - it ought to be his favorite from all other chapters.”

The Great Swiss Scholar Frederick Godet said that;
“Romans chapter 8 is the greatest chapter in the Bible because it starts with “no condemnation” and it ends with “no separation.”

After reading Godet - Biblical-Scholar C. A. Fox added.
“and in between the ‘no condemnation’ and the ‘no separation’
- there is no defeat.”

The Declaration Of Dependence

2.) There is Therefore Now Sins Condemnation

vs. 2-3

The Declaration Of Dependence

There Is Therefore Now Sins Condemnation

2a.) There is A New Law in Effect

vs. 2a

Verse 2a

2 For the law of the Spirit of life IN Christ Jesus

For

grk: gar

to express cause, to give explanation, the why of a matter, because!

(I love that BECAUSE is what any 5-year-old would say. It is also what any 55-year-old would say) = ("because I said so" only works if God is the one saying it)

It is an Emphatic Declaration

Is there a contradiction here by reinducing the word LAW?

No because the LAW is that which is watching, present, looming, and even bearing down upon you – whether it be for the good or for the ill, it is the definition of the LAW that is to be understood here.

This "LAW of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus" is a beautiful jurisdiction, authority, power that is ever-present to ever-nudge you ever-closer to Jesus Christ until eternity comes for you.

We are brought to God in Christ Jesus and so all question of judgment is forever settled. It can never be raised again. This leaves the soul at liberty to be occupied with pleasing God, not as a means of escaping the Divine displeasure, but out of love to Him who has brought us to Himself in peace. What the law - with all of its stern and solid warnings and threatening's could not accomplish is now realized in the power of the new life given to us by the Holy Spirit.

Dr. H. A. Ironside

Exposition On the Book of Romans

Philippians 2:12-13

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out { produce, perform, carry out, execute } your own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God Who works { energize, empower, to make effective, to be doing the doing } in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

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There Is Therefore Now Sins Condemnation

2b.) There is A New Authority in place

vs. 2b

has made me free from the law of sin and death.

Free

grk: eleuthero

to make free (by force), to exempt someone out of, to write one out, or to lift one out of, to make someone freed from all effects.

I must first tell you that there is no longer a conventional power in place = Sin & Death. They have not only been decentralized but eradicated – done away with by the Power of God in Christ Jesus.

None of our basic and mid-level military command and control personnel will be surprised when (if) China detonates an Electro-Magnetic-Pulse over the USA. (an EMP is a bloodless attack which results in a forced surrender without killing anybody – at first)

Conventional Warfare becomes Obsolete in just 1 to 5 Nano-Seconds of Time and then A New Authority of Warfare is Initiated. – The target is rendered (~~not dead~~) but Powerless.

1 Peter 3:18

For Christ (The Son) also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He (The Son) might bring us to God, (The Father) being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, (The Holy Spirit)

Isaiah 53:11-12

He (The Father) shall see the labor of His (The Son) soul, and be satisfied. By His (The Son) knowledge My righteous Servant (The Son) shall justify many, for He (The Son) shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I (The Father) will divide Him (The Son) a portion with the great, and He (The Father) shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He (The Son) poured out His (The Son) soul unto death, and He (The Son) was numbered with the transgressors, and He (The Son) bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. (Us)

1 John 3:5

And you know that He (The Son) was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him (The Son) there is no sin.

1 Peter 2:24

Who Himself (The Son) bore our sins in His own body (The Son) on the tree, that we, having died to sins (Us), might live for righteousness - by Whose stripes (The Son) you were healed.

Hebrews 9:28

So Christ (The Son) was offered once to bear the sins of many. (Us)

The Declaration Of Dependence

There Is Therefore Now Sins Condemnation

2c.) There is A New Order by Design

vs. 3

Meaning - The Rules to The Game Have Changed

For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did

Wait a Minute!

The Law **was (is) Awesome**. It **was (is) Authoritative**.
The Law **was (is) Perfect**.

Weak

grk: astheneo (aus'tha'net'o)

feeble, unable, without the strength to help or to save, powerless.

Regarding the context of salvation, redemption, forgiveness, restoration – access into the presence of Heaven.

Because The Law was (is) Weak - Because it Cannot **Rescue** You.

And The Law was (is) Weak - Because it Cannot **Release** You.

And The Law was (is) Weak - Because it Cannot **Redeem** You.

Acts 13:39-41

For by Him (Jesus Christ) everyone who believes *is justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses*. 40 Beware therefore, lest what has been spoken in the prophets come upon you: 41 "Behold, you despisers, marvel and perish! For I work a work in your days, a work which you will by no means believe, though one were to declare it to you.' "

Romans 5:6

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

Mark 10:45

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

1 Timothy 2:6

He who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time,

“His love for you was and is so great that He could not allow the way of salvation to be dependent upon you.”

- author not important

Verse 3b

by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh,

In The Likeness of...

In the full representative pattern of or in the same appearance of.

Hebrews 4:15-16

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace,

We Needed a Man to Come to us and to Redeem Us. We needed someone to undo what Adam had done. So God sent us the Man Christ. A Man to represent us perfectly and The God who alone and only was able to pay the price.

A New Order by Design

Is not by reformation, not by reeducation, not by radicalization.
only by Recreation

Verse 3c

on account of sin: He condemned sin IN the flesh,

There is Therefore Now – Sin’s Condemnation – AND HERE’S HOW!

Colossians 4:13-14

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 14 having (1) wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has (2) taken it out of the way, (3) having nailed it to the cross.

Well. If you were to look around Hollywood these days, you'd begin to think that there is no cross – just pentagrams. Here a pentagram, there a pentagram, everywhere a pentagram. – As usual Hollywood's got it wrong again.

There's Room for Only One Cross for One Savior
Who was appointed the Godhead – that He would die in your place!

Galatians 3:13

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us

2 Corinthians 5:19,21

God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation, 21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

End of Study

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