

God's Answers to Life Changing Questions

What Does God Want of Me? Phil. 2:9-15

Does the Local Church Even Matter? Acts 9:26-28

How Does God Call us Today? 2 Thess. 2:13-15

How Does the Spirit Assure Us? Romans 8

Why Did God Choose Baptism? Matt. 28:18-20

How Can I Face Death Courageously? 2 Cor. 5:1-10

Why Did Jesus Come? John 6:38



John 8:30-32

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How Does the Spirit Assure Us?

- The Holy Spirit Gives Us Life!
 - Breaks Our Bondage (Rom. 8:1-2)
 - Shapes Our “Walk” (Rom. 8:4)
 - Transforms Our Heart (Rom. 8:5-8,15)
 - Through His “law” (Rom. 8:2)

- Gives us assurance of these things (John 16:33, 12-13; 6:63)
- The gospel — new covenant!



Romans 8

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How Does the Spirit Assure Us?

- NOT through modern day revelations (John 20:30-31; Rom. 1:16-17; 10:17)
- NOT through mere feelings or emotions (Acts 23:1; 26:9; Rom. 10:1-4)



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Four Related Uses of "Spirit"

- Person called the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:14,16)
- Miraculous gifts the Spirit gave (Acts 2:1-4; Gal. 3:2,5; John 3:34)
- Word / teaching revealed by the Spirit (Rom. 8:2; John 6:63; 16:13; 20:30-31; Eph. 6:17; 3:3-5; cf. Acts 15:21; 21:21)
- Attitude the Spirit cultivates in us (Rom. 8:5-6,14-15; Gal. 5:22-26)



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How Does the Spirit Assure Us?

- Sets us free from “the law of sin and death” (Rom. 8:1-2)
- Tells us we are in Christ (Rom. 7:24-8:2)
- Guides us (Rom. 8:1-4)

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- through His law (8:2) — the gospel (1:16) — the new covenant! (cf. 2 Cor. 3)

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How Does the Spirit Assure Us?

- Gives us “life and peace”
(Rom. 8:5-9)
- Shapes our attitude
(Rom. 8:15-17)
- Grows us spiritually
(Rom. 8:13-14)

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the new covenant!
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How Does the Spirit Assure Us?

- Indwells us (Rom. 8:9-11; 1 Cor 6:9-10; Acts 7:47-50)
 - “in the Spirit” AND “the Spirit of God dwells in you”
 - Thayer's: one person “in” another means, “intimate relationship” (John 17:21-23)
 - *“The spirit of Ted Carrington indwells me.”*

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- through His law (8:2) — the gospel (1:16) — the new covenant! (cf. 2 Cor. 3)

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The Spirit Assures Us

- Through His “law” — teaching us (8:2)
 - Through His word — transforming us (12:1-2)
 - Through His assurances — growing us in confidence and hope (1:6-8)
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- The Bible is God's breath (2 Tim. 3:16-17) — infusing us with life (John 6:63, 68)!



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