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The Victory in the Ruach Ha'Kodesh

8: 1-17



This chapter crowns the first half of the book of **Romans**, resolving the issue of the inner conflict raised in Chapter 7, and solving humanity's overriding problem, **sin**. The answer is **the Ruach Ha'Kodesh**, who lives within us if we are **in union with Messiah Yeshua**.

The great triumph of our **faith** is total deliverance from **condemnation**. If we are honest with ourselves, we know that we have much to be **condemned** for. But the truth of the Good News is that **Yeshua Messiah** has released us from **condemnation**. All the righteousness of **Messiah** has already been transferred to our spiritual bank account at salvation, which enables us to live according to **the law of the Spirit**, which is **the law of YHVH**.

We are not only forgiven, but we have received the Ruach Ha'Kodesh into our very bodies, the Counselor, to lead us and guide us into all truth (see the commentary on The Life of Christ, to see link click Kr - The Holy Spirit Will Teach You All Things). He is our source of divine power to bring about our necessary sanctification, to be set apart for the holy purposes of ADONAI. Paul speaks of our bodies as God's temple. Or don't you know that your body is a temple for the Ruach Ha'Kodesh who lives inside you, whom you received from God? The fact is, you don't belong to yourselves; for you were bought at a price. So, use your bodies to glorify God (First Corinthians 6:19-20). 198



The Ruach-filled life does not come through mystical or ecstatic experiences, but from studying and submitting oneself to Scripture. As you faithfully and submissively saturate your mind and heart with **God's** truth, your **Ruach**-controlled behavior will follow as surely as the night follows the day. When you are filled with **God's** truth, and led by **God's Ruach**, even your involuntary reactions will be godly without even thinking about it. 199

Romans 8 is where Paul gathers various strands of thought, starting with the Good News in Chapter 1 (see Ai - The Righteous Shall Live by Faith), and links justification (see Ax - The Universal Solution: Justification) with sanctification.