

## Review: Overcoming the Present Creation's Futility (Romans 7:1–8:28)

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### The Thematic Statement (Rom 1:16-17)

For I am not ashamed of Christ's good message, for it is the power of God for deliverance available to everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God by faith, granted to faith, is revealed; as it is written, "The just-by-faith shall live."

### One Problem with a Two-Step Solution

Escaping God's in-time wrath requires \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Paul discussed the first step in Rom \_\_\_\_\_. The readers were \_\_\_\_\_.

Paul discussed the second step in Rom \_\_\_\_\_.

### Romans 7

#### Deadliness of dead-to-the-law Christians (the bride of Christ) flirting with it (7:1-6)

#### How the sin takes advantage of the law, making us fail (7:7-25)

Paul wrote this of his experience as a believer, not as an unbeliever.

## Romans 8

### Romans 8:1 should read:

There is therefore now no **servitude of sin** to those who are in Christ Jesus, **who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**

### Issue 1: Most Bibles other than KJV and NKJV wrongly omit the ending of Rom 8:1.

That ending is clearly contextual: See the wording of Rom 8:4

### Issue 2: *Katakrima* has often been mistranslated here as *condemnation*.

Lexicographers have recognized from Rom 5:16, etc. that this is not a good translation. *Katakrima* should be understood as *sentencing*.

### A spiritual resurrection that should occur in our dead bodies; but is not automatic (8:1-13)

### Spiritual triumph that changes suffering from deserved to undeserved & rewardable (8:14-28)

Rom 8:16: The Holy Spirit ALONG WITH our [human] spirit testifies

Rom 8:17a all believers are children of God and heirs of God;

Rom 8:17b those believers who suffer with Christ are co-heirs with Christ, the firstborn

Rom 8:18-23 looks at creation awaiting the millennial kingdom, so futility will end

What is the “good” that God brings about especially for believers who love Him? (8:28)

## CONCLUSION