



Romans 8:5-11

The Holy Spirit's Ministry

- I. Introduction:** Paul explained to the Romans that the Holy Spirit has supernaturally transformed them, indwells them, and has granted them spiritual life.

II. The Holy Spirit's Ministry (Rom 8:5-11).

A. He Dominates Our Mindset (vv. 5-8).

1. Paul explained that those who are in the Holy Spirit have a fundamentally different mindset from unbelievers because the Spirit has transformed their lives.

B. He Dwells Within Us (v. 9). Controls Our Lives

1. Paul reasons that Christians are dominated by spiritual desires because they are indwelt by the Holy Spirit and no longer controlled by the flesh.

C. He Distributes New Life (vv. 10-11). Produces Life

1. Paul proclaimed that though our physical bodies are destined for death, the Holy Spirit is producing in us spiritual life, and will one day resurrect our bodies.

- III. Conclusion:** Paul explained that the Holy Spirit transforms our minds, gives us life and peace, dwells within us, and guarantees our future resurrection.



Questions About: The Holy Spirit's Ministry

1. What are the ministries of the Holy Spirit? Why did Jesus say it was to their advantage for Him to leave and send the Spirit? (**John 16:7**) How does He help Christians? (**John 14:16-20**)
2. What is the first work of the Holy Spirit that Paul mentions? (**Rom 8:5-8**) What does it mean to “set your mind” on the things of the flesh? (**v. 5**) What are some fleshly desires or pursuits?
3. Why is the mindset of the flesh death? (**Rom 8:5-8**) How does the mindset of the Spirit lead to life and peace? (**v. 6; Rom 5:1**) What is the attitude of the unbeliever toward God? (**v. 7**)
4. Why is it impossible for those who are in the flesh to please God? (**Rom 8:8**) Why are unbelievers incapable of pleasing Him? (**John 6:44; 8:43; Heb 11:6**) Why does this matter?
5. What is the second work of the Holy Spirit that Paul declares? (**Rom 8:9**) What does the word dwell mean? (**v. 9**) How do we know if we are truly saved? (**1 John 3:24; 4:13**)
6. How does the Holy Spirit seal believers as God's possession? (**Eph 1:13-14**) What did a seal indicate to the Romans? How is the Holy Spirit the guarantee of our salvation? (**2 Cor 5:5**)
7. What is another ministry of the Holy Spirit that Paul mentions in this passage? (**Rom 8:10-11**) What does Paul mean when he says that the body is dead and the spirit is alive? (**v. 10**)
8. How was the Holy Spirit involved in raising Jesus from the dead? (**Rom 8:11**) How does the Spirit give us life now? (**John 6:63; 2 Cor 3:6**) How will He raise us to life? (**1 Cor 15:51-57**)

Prayer

1. Thank God that the Holy Spirit dwells within you giving you life, peace, and assurance.
2. Ask God to help you set your mind on the things of the Spirit and live to please Him.