

**BOOK OF ROMANS  
LESSON 6**

**WORKSHEET**

**READ CHAPTER 7:**

- 1. Paul in his absolute thoroughness provides another analogy to help the reader understand that we are no longer bound by the Judaic law. He compares marriage. What is the comparison he makes? Does this help you understand?**

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- 2. Why does Paul continue to “beat this dead horse” – the subject of the law being replaced by Jesus?**

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- 3. Verse 6 . . . “we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.” What does this mean? What do you think he means by the “letter”?**

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4. In verses 7 – 14 Paul wrestles with a difficult concept. Without the law, we would not know what sin is. The law is not itself sin, but illuminates what sin is. Once we understand this, we can also see how lost we are without Jesus. Why?

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5. From verse 14 through 24 Paul acknowledges that he still struggles with sin. He says he knows the thing he ought to do and does not do it, and he knows the thing he ought not do and yet still does it. What does this tell us?

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6. The struggle between the new man (made alive in Jesus) and the old man (of sin) is ongoing. Coming to Jesus doesn't eliminate the struggle. But as we learned on Sunday, through Jesus we are now able to OVERCOME. How do we do this? In a tangible, practical way? Can you think of ways you can overcome your own sin struggles?

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7. In verse 25 Paul says: "So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin." What does this mean?

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8. Reading what Paul says about his struggle with sin . . . do you feel encouraged or discouraged? Why?

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9. Chapter 8 begins with a reassuring statement that could not come at a better time. Just as we are wearied by the idea that we will struggle with sin even after being saved, Paul brings us more good news. What does it mean that there is “no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”?

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10. In verse 4 states, “That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit”? This is another intense statement. The righteousness of the law is fulfilled in us as we walk in the Spirit. Wow. What does that mean?

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11. Verse 5 . . . “but they that are [walking] after the Spirit [mind]the things of the Spirit.” What does this mean? Where else in scripture can we find an explanation of what it means to *walk after the Spirit*?

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**12. What does it mean to be “carnally minded”?**

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**13. In the very next line, Paul tells us the problem with being carnal. “... the carnal mind is enmity against God.” Enmity=hostility or hatred. Wow – strong words. To be carnal is to be hostile toward God and the things of God. No one who declares himself to be in Christ should be carnal.**

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**14. The only way to follow Jesus is to be filled with the Spirit of God, to walk in the Spirit, to talk in the Spirit. It is either this or to be carnal, which we know displeases God. Furthermore – if we are led by the Spirit we are children of God. We are now not merely subjects of the Kingdom of God, but we are His children. Heirs to the kingdom. Here is a big question: What is the Kingdom of God?**

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