

becoming
who you are



“Free From Defeat”

(Part 2)

Romans 8:14-17

*⁵ Keep your life free from love of money,
and be content with what you have,
for he has said,
“I will never leave you nor forsake you.”*

Hebrews 13:5

³¹ *but they who wait for the Lord
shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.*

Isaiah 40:31

*³³ I have said these things to you,
that in me you may have peace.
In the world you will have tribulation.
But take heart; I have overcome the world.”*

John 16:33

^{54b} *then shall come to pass*

the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

⁵⁵ *“O death, where is your victory?*

O death, where is your sting?”

I Corinthians 15:54b-55

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KEY POINT:

The Holy Spirit delivers us from a
fleshly orientation
to a spiritual orientation.

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What Does It Mean To Be Led By The Holy Spirit?

a. An objective pursuit

(Ps 19:7)

b. He is illuminating us

(John 14:25-26; I Cor 2:11-14)

c. To be under His control

(Eph 5:18)

²⁸ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

Galatians 3:28

¹⁰ *Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me
on level ground!*

Psalm 143:10

¹⁰ *By this it is evident who are the children of God,
and who are the children of the devil:
whoever does not practice righteousness
is not of God,
nor is the one who does not love his brother.*

I John 3:10

What Is Adoption?

- a. “an act of God by which we receive God’s nature and share in His life”
- b. Changing families
- c. Ephesians 1:5

³⁶ *And he said,*

“Abba, Father, all things are possible for you.

Remove this cup from me.

Yet not what I will, but what you will.”

Mark 14:36

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IV. Because the Holy Spirit Assures Us of Our Salvation (vs. 16-17)

¹³ *By this we know that we abide in him
and he in us,
because he has given us of his Spirit.*

I John 4:13

¹⁶ *And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Helper,
to be with you forever,*

John 14:16

“Assurance is never to be enjoyed on the basis of a past experience. There is need of the present and continuing work of the Holy Spirit ... in giving assurance.”



Jonathan Edwards
5 Oct 1703 — 22 Mar 1758

What Is Our Inheritance?

We get eternal life (Titus 3:7)

We get a level of fellowship unknown to us now
(Rev 21:3)

We get glory (Rom 5:2)

We get a new home in heaven (John 14:1-3)

We get to rule with Christ (II Tim 2:12)

We get to become like Christ (I John 3:1-2)

“Once I was a slave but
now I am a son;
once I was dead
but now I am alive;
once I was darkness but
now I am light in the Lord;
once I was a child of wrath,
an heir of hell,
but now I am an heir of
heaven;



Thomas Brooks

1608 — 1680

once I was Satan's
bond-servant
but now I am
God's freeman;
once I was under
the spirit of bondage



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but now I am under
the Spirit of adoption
that seals up to me
the remission of my sins,
the justification of my
person,
and the salvation of my
soul.”



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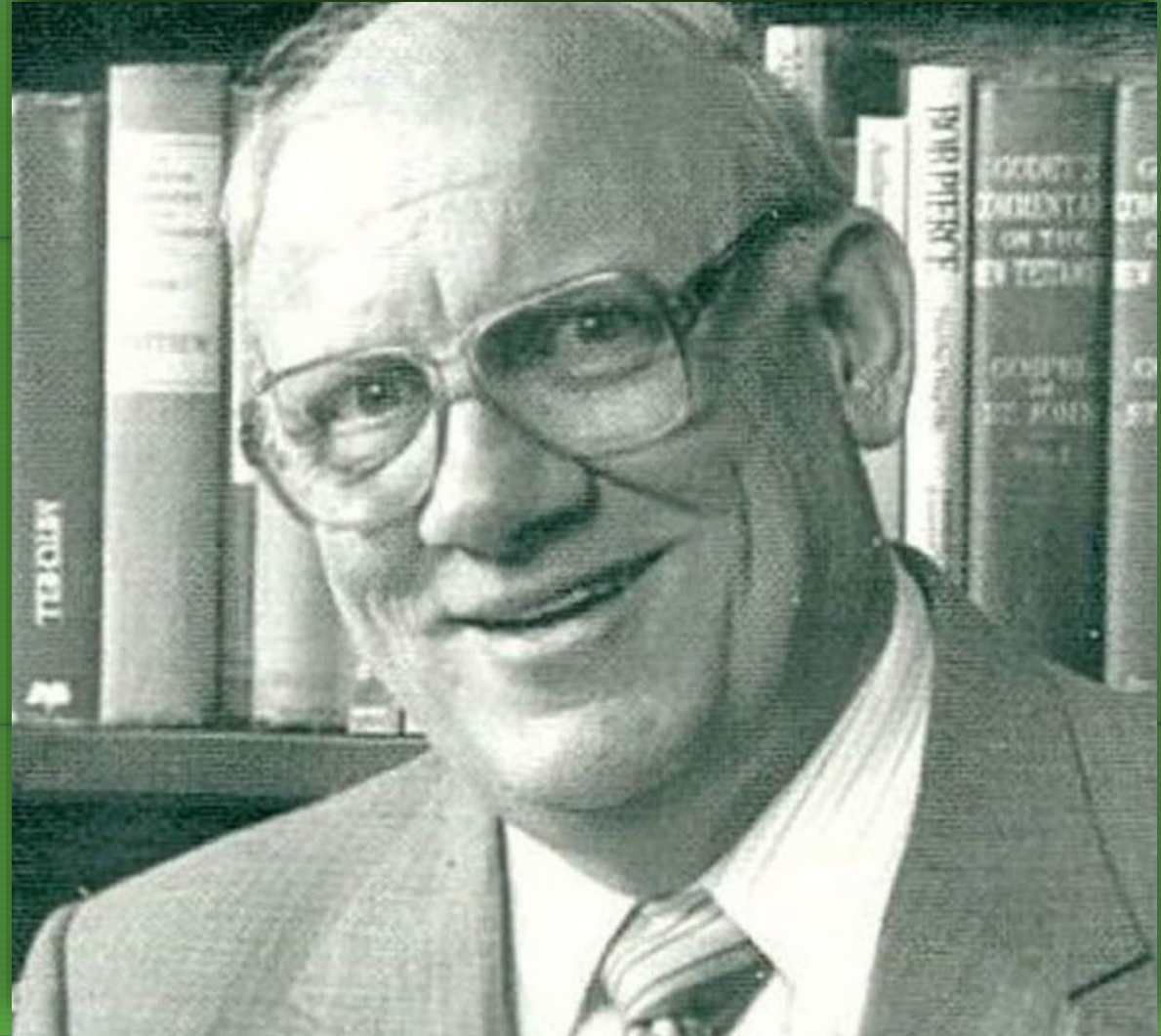
²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:22-24

²⁴ *Father, I desire that they also,
whom you have given me,
may be with me where I am,
to see my glory that you have given me
because you loved me
before the foundation of the world.*

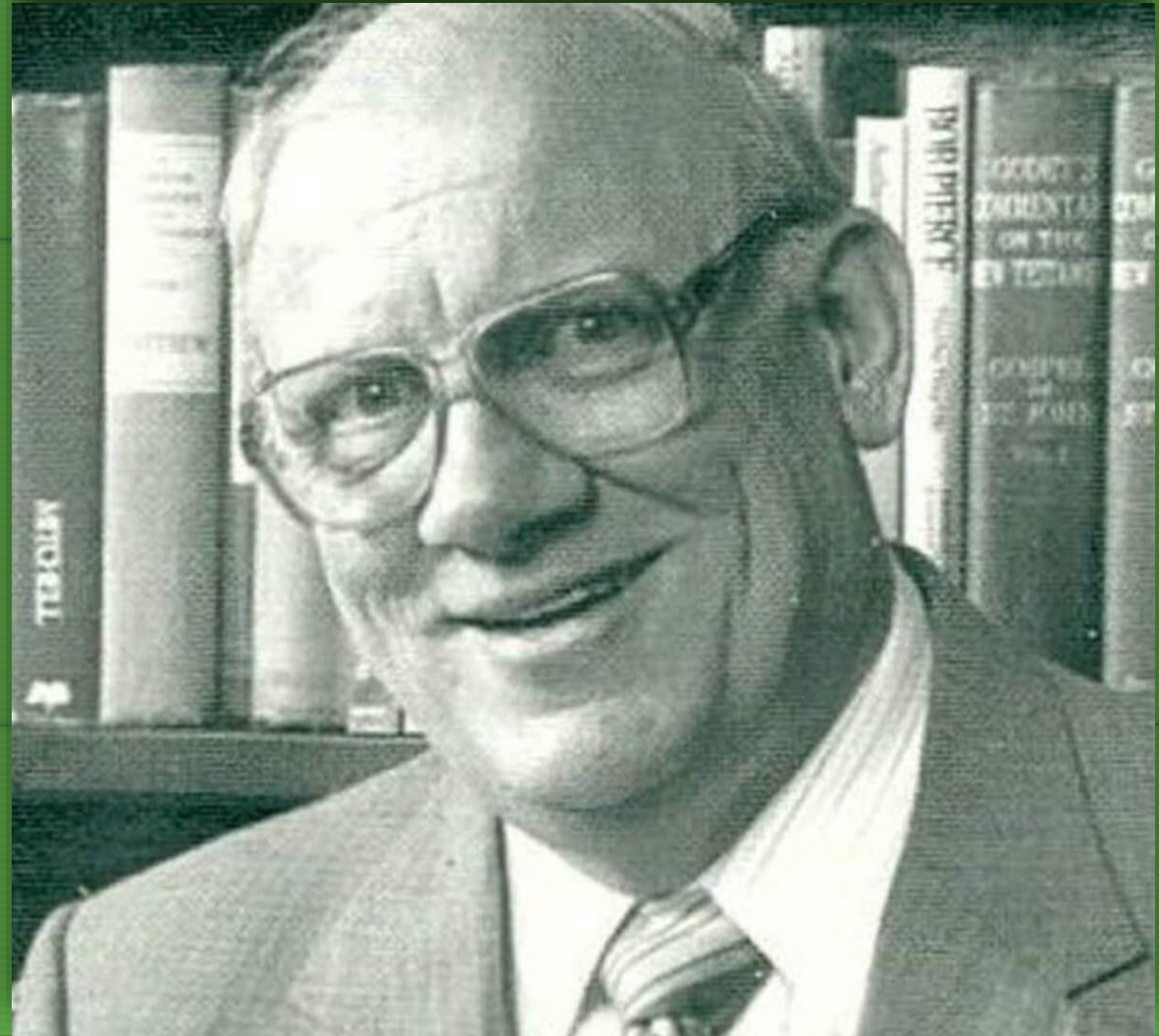
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“There is no need for the believer to be defeated. He can yield his body to the Spirit and by faith overcome the old nature. The Spirit of life will empower him.



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The Spirit of death
will enable him to
overcome the flesh.
And the Spirit of adoption
will enrich him and lead
him into the will of God.”



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