becoming who you are





"Free From Defeat" (Part 1)

Romans 8:5-13

The Holy Spirit in Romans 8

- a. Gives physical and eternal life (vs.2,10,14,16,23)
- b. Enables us to walk in obedience (vs. 4-5, 10)
- c. Brings peace (vs. 6)
- d. Indwells (vs. 9, 11)
- e. Raised Jesus from the dead (vs. 11)
- f. Helps us mortify sin (vs. 13)
- g. Adopts us (vs. 15)
- h. Strengthens us in weakness (vs. 26)
- i. Helps us pray (vs. 26-27)

We Are Free From Defeat

- a. The Spirit changes our nature (vs. 5-11).
- b. The Spirit enables us to mortify (vs. 12-13).
- c. The Spirit empowers us for victory (vs. 14-15).
- d. The Spirit gives us assurance (vs. 16-17).

Overview of Romans 6 - 8

- I. Romans 6 Victory over the Bondage of Sin
- II. Romans 7 Liberty from Bondage to the Law
- III. Romans 8 Security in the Holy Spirit

KEY POINT:

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

13 "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. 14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few."

Matthew 7:13-14

²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:28

I. Because the Holy Spirit Changes Our Nature (vs. 5-11)

¹⁶ You will recognize them by their fruits.

Are grapes gathered from thorn bushes,

or figs from thistles?

Matthew 7:16

³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Mark 8:33

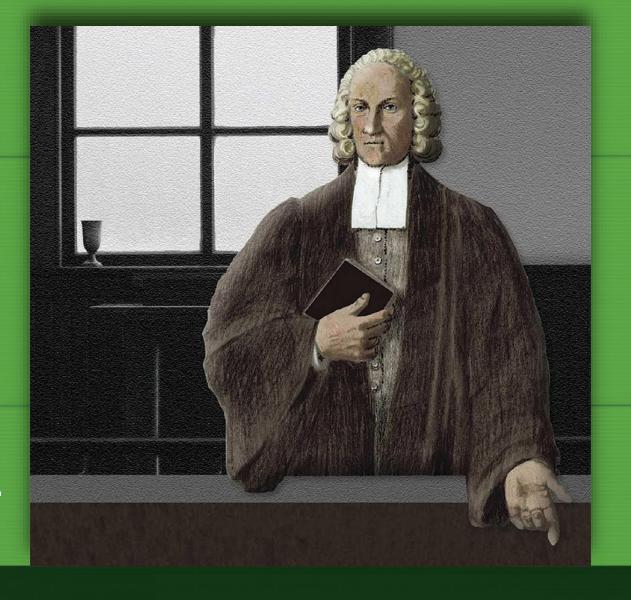
¹⁸ For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

Philippians 3:18-20

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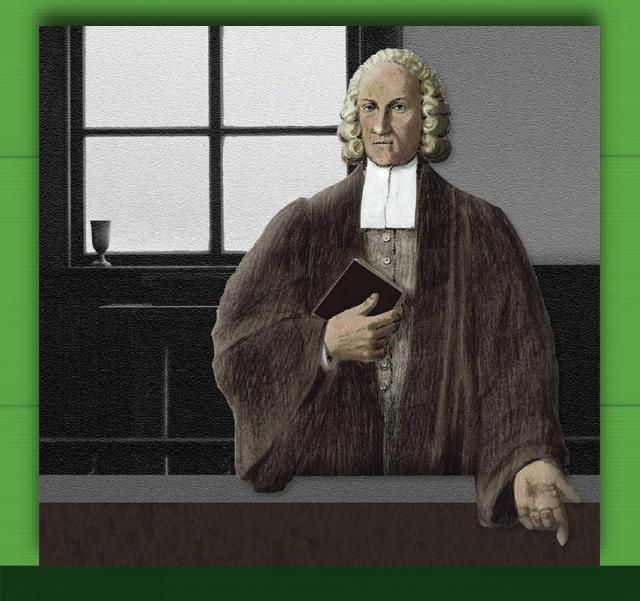
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"Hell is a spiritual and material furnace of fire where its victims are exquisitely tortured in their minds and in their bodies eternally, according to their various capacities,



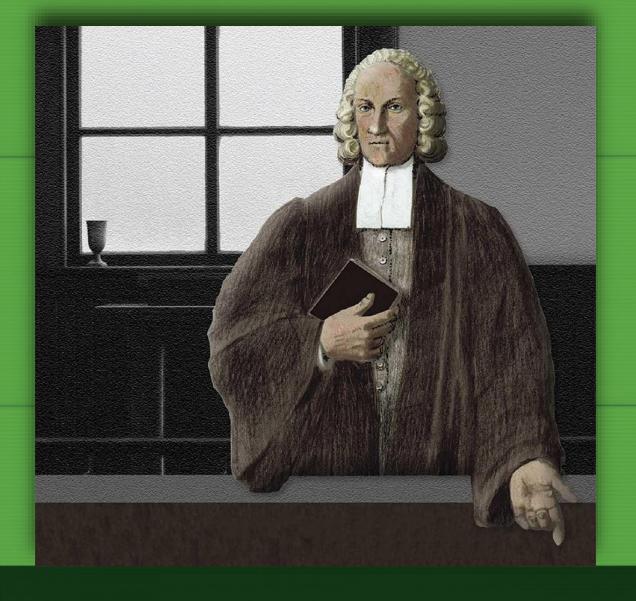
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in their memories
and consciences
as well as in their raging,
unsatisfied lusts,



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from which place of death God's saving grace, mercy, and pity are gone forever, never for a moment to return."



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¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:1-2

⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit

will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Galatians 6:8

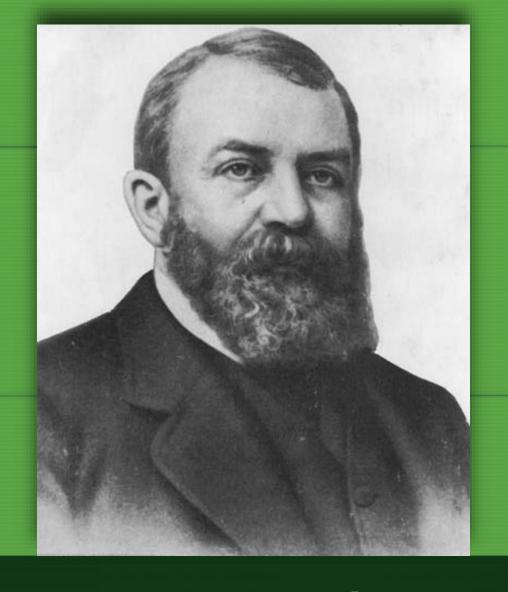
PEACE:

- A. the peace we get when we are reconciled to the Creator.
- B. The wicked do not experience this (Isa 46:22; Rom 5:1).
- C. The kingdom of God is a place "righteousness and peace" (Rom 14:17).

The Indwelling of The Holy Spirit

- A. "the presence or abiding of the Holy Spirit within each individual believer that abides in him forever."
- B. 5 reasons the Holy Spirit indwells us
 - 1. To partner with His sealing our salvation
 - 2. To change us unto the image of the Son
 - 3. To enable us to use our gifts in the body of Christ
 - 4. To teach us
 - 5. To strengthen us for obedience

"I was in a new world. The next morning the sun shone brighter and the birds sing sweeter. ...the old elms waved their branches for joy, and all nature was at peace."



D. L. Moody 5 Feb 1837 — 26 Dec 1899

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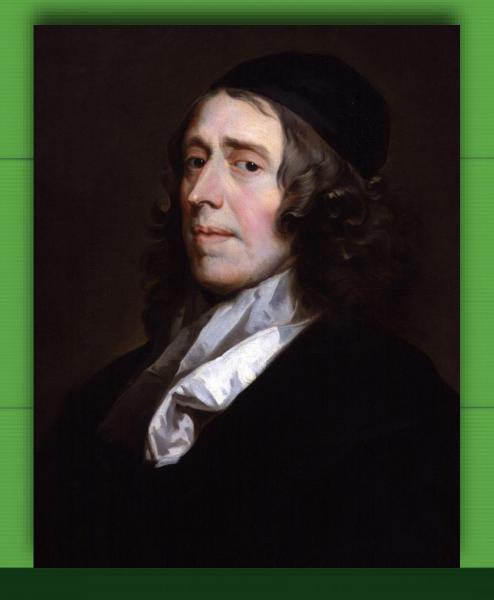
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- II. Because the Holy Spirit <u>Enables</u>

 Us to Mortify Sin (vs. 12-13)

9 Directives for Mortifying Sin

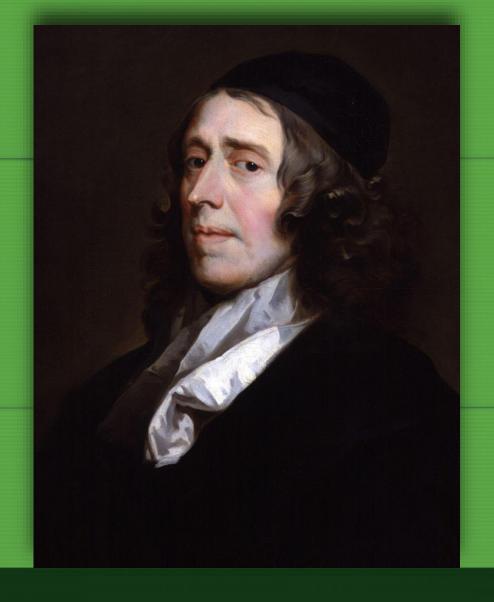
- 1. Diagnose sin's severity.
- 2. Grasp sin's serious consequences.
- 3. Be convinced of your guilt.
- 4. Earnestly desire deliverance.



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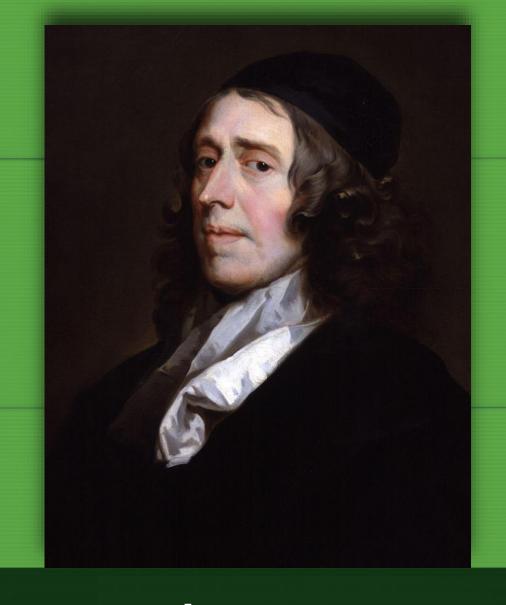
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- 5. Consider the relationship between your sins and your natural temperament.
- 6. Avoid occasions that incite sin.
- 7. Address sin's first signs.
- 8. Meditate on God's glory.
- 9. Don't rush to comfort yourself.



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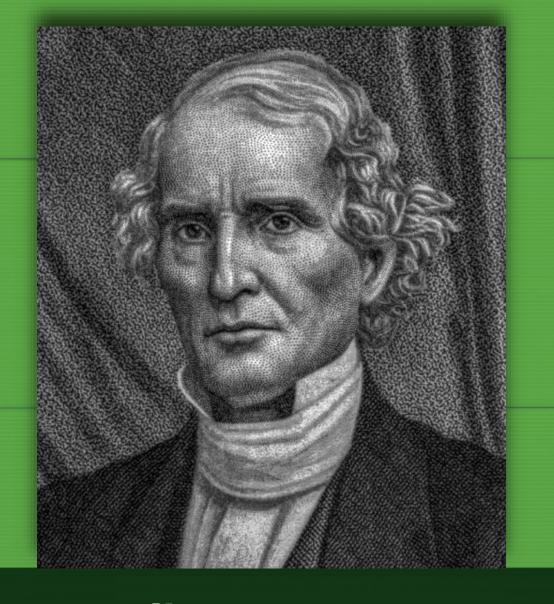
"Mortification of any sin must be by a supply of grace. Of our selves we cannot do it."



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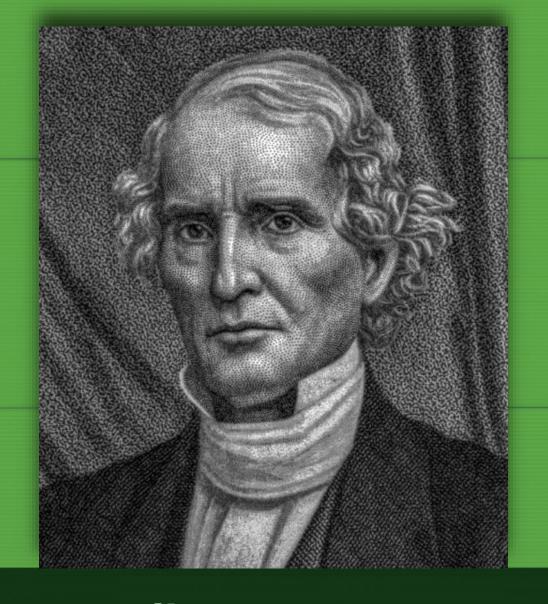
Psalm 119:11

"The meaning here is, that he had treasured up the word of God, as the most valuable thing, in his heart;



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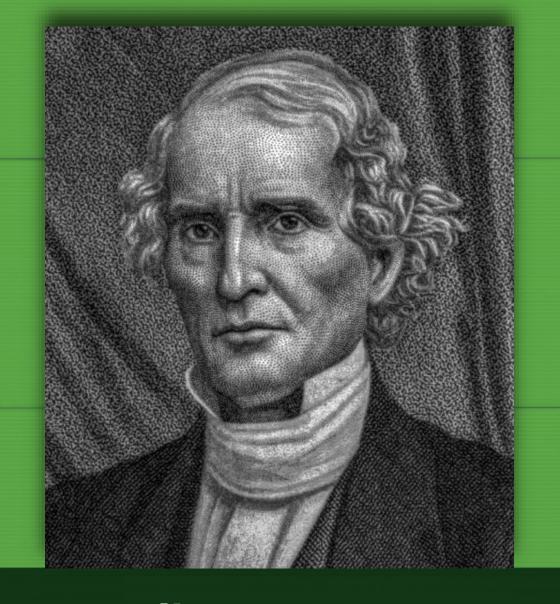
- it was there, though unseen; it constituted the secret power by which he was governed;



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it was permanently deposited there,
 as the most valuable of all treasures."



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