

Good News
The New Way of the Spirit
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Romans 8:1-17

Big Idea: The Gospel is Good News because God's Spirit makes me new.

God's Spirit makes me new with a new power.

God's Spirit makes me new with a new focus.

God's Spirit makes me new with a new security.

Sermon questions

We're in a series in the book of Romans called Good News where we are studying the many ways that the gospel is good news for everyone. This week, our passage is **Romans 8:1-17**, and we learn that the gospel is good news because God's Spirit makes me new.

Use these questions to discuss the message from Sunday, focusing on how you can **grow** as an everyday follower of Jesus and how you can **go** accomplish what Jesus calls you to do.

1. As you study this passage and listen to Pastor Steve's teaching, what is the most attractive thing to you about life with the Spirit? Have you experienced it in your own life?
2. Note the word "therefore" in **vs. 1**. How does this passage relate to the previous section in **Romans 7**? Do you see more resonance between your life and **Romans 7** or **Romans 8**?
3. Have someone read **vs. 1-2**. What does the word "condemnation" mean? Look up a definition. Why is the truth that there is no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus so important to understand?

4. Have someone read **vs. 14**. What does it mean to be “led by the Spirit”? How is this different from simply striving to obey God? How can you arrange your life so that you **grow** in your dependence on the Spirit?
5. What are the things that the Spirit desires? (**vs. 5**) Reference **Galatians 5:19-23**. As you **go** share the good news of Jesus with the world around you, in what areas do you need the Spirit to help you better represent Jesus?