



We need donations for our Virtual VBS! To sign up for an item please go to harvestdecatatur.org/vbsneeds. There are still several items that we need! Thank you!

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PRAYER NIGHT

July 19, 5-6:30pm

This month we are coming together for a family friendly Prayer Night. Please join us at the church on **July 19, 5 - 6:30pm**.

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MEMBERSHIP at HARVEST

July 25, 5 - 8pm

We invite you to attend our next Membership at Harvest on **July 25, 5 - 8pm**. This will be an evening to hear all about our vision, history, leadership, and values that are most important to us. Please sign up by emailing administrator@harvestdecatatur.org.



WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

HARVESTDECATUR.ORG JULY 5, 2020

Grab your hard hats & tool belts
Get ready for a **VIRTUAL VBS!**

CONCRETE & CRANES

JULY 26-30

3 YEARS - 6TH GRADE

HARVEST Kids **HARVEST DECATUR**

WHOLLY REDEEMED

ROMANS 4-8

sermon notes

July 5, 2020 | Pastor Tony Caffey, Harvest Decatur
Wholly Redeemed | "Declaration of Dependence" | **Romans 8:1-11**

In Christ, we have...

1) freedom from _____
(8:1-2)

2) freedom from _____
(8:3-4)

3) freedom from _____
(8:5-8)

4) freedom from _____
(8:9-11)

Questions for Further Application of God's Word:

GO DEEPER

Paul says there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (8:1). Do you ever feel condemned as a Christian? Should you ever feel condemned? Do you ever feel convicted as a Christian? What's the difference between conviction and condemnation?

How many times is the Spirit mentioned in Romans 8? Why does Paul focus so much on the Holy Spirit in this chapter? How does the Holy Spirit give us victory over sin in ways the law (and the flesh) could not?

GET PERSONAL

What is the world's view of "freedom"? How is it different from what Paul describes in Romans 8:1-11? How is the world's understanding of freedom different from the freedom that Jesus describes in John 8:31-38? What are some things that people are enslaved to in this world? What are some things that you need freedom from through the truth of God's word?

Paul says in Romans 8:4 that those who are in Christ walk according to the Spirit and not according to the flesh. What does walking according to the Spirit look like? Paul tells us later in Romans 13:14 to "make no provision for the flesh" ("make no plans to satisfy the fleshly desires," HCSB). How do we obey this command?

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

Listen to the following song about the Holy Spirit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zGsawBBxVMY>

How might you pray to the Holy Spirit each day for his guidance and direction? Write out a short prayer right now that you could recite daily.

ADVANCED QUESTIONS FOR DEEPER STUDY

Read Romans 8:3-4. Paul says that Jesus came in the "likeness of sinful flesh." What does that mean exactly? Was Jesus fully human? Was Jesus sinful? What does it mean that God sent his own Son "for sin" (8:4; see 2 Cor 5:21)? Why is the full humanity of Christ important to Christian doctrine and even to our salvation? For a fuller understanding of Jesus's deity and his humanity, see the following article from the Desiring God website:

<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/how-can-jesus-be-god-and-man>

Read Romans 8:9-11. According to this passage, is it possible to be indwelt by the Holy Spirit and not be saved? Is it possible to be saved and not have the Holy Spirit? For a more thorough description of the Holy Spirit throughout the Scriptures read the article and watch the video found here:

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/holy-spirit/>