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# BIG IDEA | To LIVE a different life, LOOK at life differently!

#### SEE THAT GOD ISN'T MAD AT ME.

## Romans 8:1-4 (NLT)

<sup>1</sup>So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. <sup>3</sup> The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. <sup>4</sup> He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.

## What *DOES NOT* happen when a Christian sins:

- 1. God does not *REJECT* me when I sin.
- 2. God is not ANGRY at me when I'm inconsistent.
- 3. God does not *PUNISH* me when I sin.

#### What *DOES* happen when a Christian sins:

- 1. It brings CONVICTION from God.
- 2. Sin HURTS OTHERS around me.
- 3. Sin HURTS ME and destroys happiness.
- 4. FELLOWSHIP with God is BROKEN.
- 5. My USEFULNESS to God is LIMITED.
- 6. Sin brings loving *DISCIPLINE* from God.
- 7. Sin causes LOSS OF REWARDS in Heaven.

#### What *SHOULD* happen when a Christian sins:

- 1. REMIND myself when I sin, it's no surprise to God! It's already been paid for!
- 2. Then, CONFESS it.
- 3. ACCEPT forgiveness and forgive myself. Focus on the future.

#### 1 John 1:5-10 (NLT)

<sup>5</sup> This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. <sup>6</sup> So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

<sup>8</sup> If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. <sup>9</sup> But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. <sup>10</sup> If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.

#### SEE FROM GOD'S PERSPECTIVE.

#### Romans 8:5-14 (NLT)

<sup>5</sup> Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. <sup>8</sup> That's why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.

<sup>9</sup> But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you. (And remember that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them do not belong to him at all.) <sup>10</sup> And Christ lives within you, so even though your body will die because of sin, the Spirit gives you life because you have been made right with God. <sup>11</sup> The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. <sup>13</sup> For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

KNOW JESUS PERSONALLY.

GROW IN BIBLICAL COMMUNITY.

GO LIVE INTENTIONALLY.

# SEE MYSELF AS PART OF GOD'S FAMILY. Romans 8:15-17 (NLT)

<sup>15</sup> So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." <sup>16</sup> For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. <sup>17</sup> And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.