



## Sermon Notes – Steve Southards – 10/15/2023

### ***Romans 8:1-2***

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. 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.

### **Past**

### **Pete Scazzero**

“God may be in your heart but Grandpa lives in your bones.”

### **Pain**

### **Patterns**

### ***Romans 7:18b-19, 21***

I want to do what is right, but I can't. I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong.

### **Pressure**

### ***Romans 8:5-6***

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. So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.

**Intellectualism: Know about God but your heart is far from God and you do not obey God.**

### ***Romans 8:12-14***

Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. 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. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

***Romans 6:1-2***

Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? Of course not!

**Legalism: Obey God but may lack Biblical Knowledge and our hearts are far from God.**

***Romans 8:15-16***

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." For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

**Emotionalism: Heart is close to God but lacks Biblical knowledge and does not obey God.**

***Romans 5:1-5***

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory. We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.