

# THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

“For the word of God is living and powerful,  
and sharper than any two-edged sword,  
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,  
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner  
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

**(Hebrews 4:12)**

# THE BOOK OF ROMANS

*“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”*

“For I am *not ashamed of the gospel* of Christ,  
for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone  
who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.  
For in it the *righteousness of God* is revealed from faith to faith;  
as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith.’”

*(Romans 1:16,17)*

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- 12–16 III. God’s Righteousness Applied

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1:18–3:20 **Condemnation: Need for God’s Righteousness**

3:21–5 **Justification: Imputation of God’s Righteousness**

6–8 **Sanctification: Demonstration of God’s Righteousness**

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Chapter 6 A. Sanctification and Sin

Chapter 7 B. Sanctification and the Law

Chapter 8 C. Sanctification and the Spirit

## **(2) “THE CONFLICT OF TWO NATURES”**

*(Romans 7:14–25)*

**14** For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.

**15** For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do.

**16** If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good.

**17** But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me.

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**18** For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find.

**19** For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice.

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## **(2) “THE CONFLICT OF TWO NATURES”**

*(Romans 7:14–25)*

**21** I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good.

**22** For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man.

**23** But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

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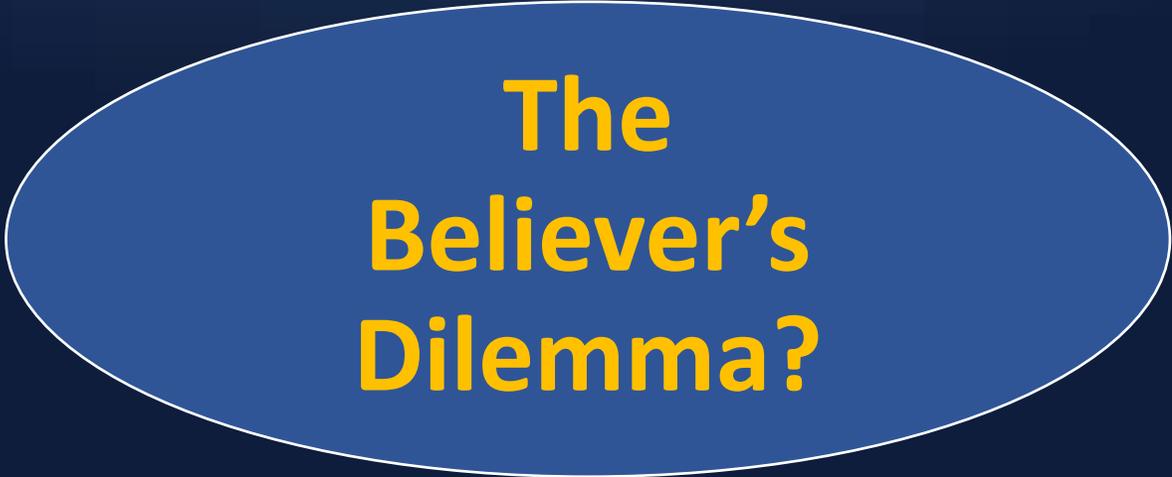
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**24** O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

**25** I thank God – through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

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### The Believer's Dilemma?

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The  
Believer’s  
**ENDURANCE**

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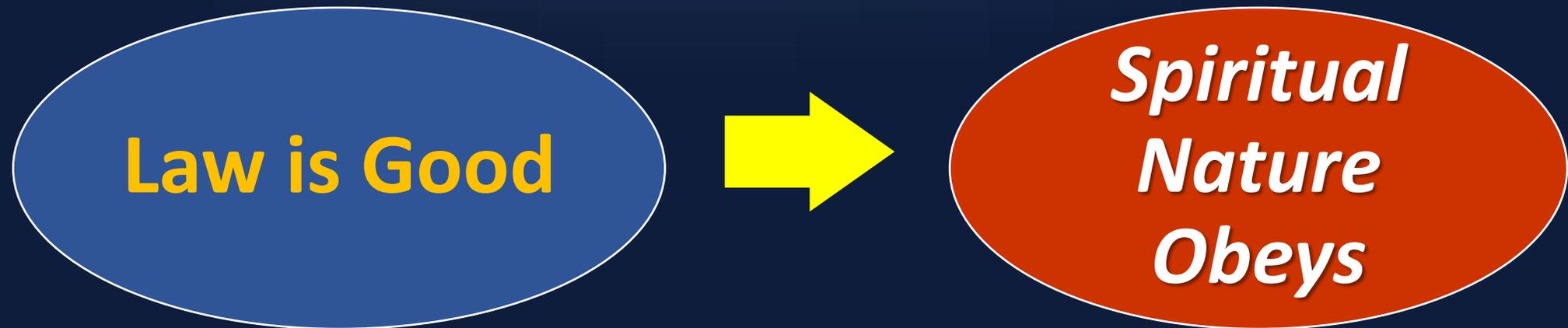


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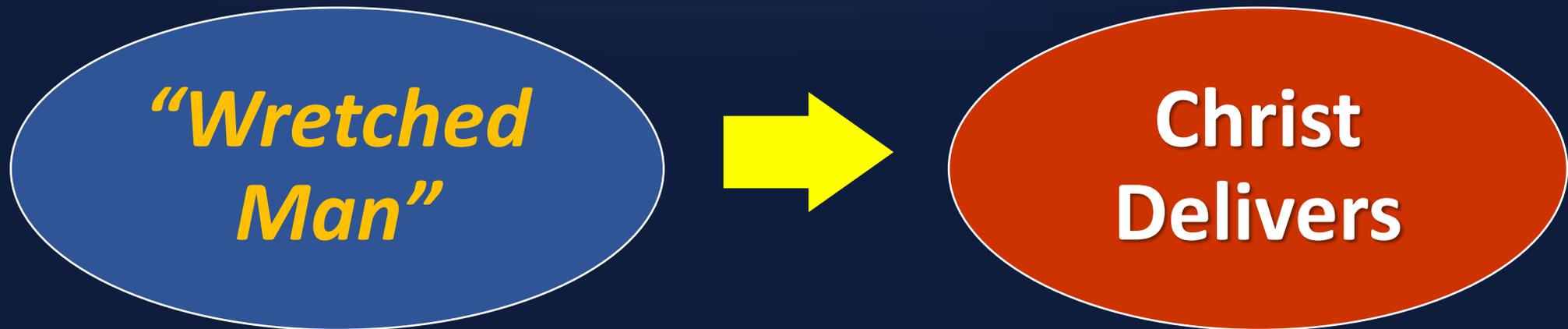


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*“That God would grant you to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man.” (Ephesians 3:16)*

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**“Sin Nature”**

**VS**

**“Spiritual Nature”**

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*“Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. Let no one say when he is tempted, ‘I am tempted by God’; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.” **(James 1:12–15)***