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**Therefore (because of chapter 7), there is NO condemnation for those in Christ Jesus!**

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**Absolutely not. We are *not* sinless but we do *sin less*. Our sins need to be confessed...**

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**'...evil is right there with me...!' The law of sin, waging war against the law of my mind.**

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**Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God, through Jesus Christ...**

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**Absolutely not! The Spirit helps us in our weakness. The Word guides us in living.**

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**NEVER! He who has begun a good work in us will complete it! More than conquerors.**

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**It's our obligation to win this war! NOT to live according to the (old) sinful nature.**

How can *we* do this? This battle (born-again spirit vs. old nature) is serious! 8:13,4; Gal.5:16-18

**Alone, we can't! We're to put to death the old nature by the Spirit. Without Him, nothing!**

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**All the sufferings in this present world are not worth comparing to our coming glory!**

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