"ASSURED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT"

The Lord our God wants you to know beyond a shadow of a doubt that you have Christ in your life, resurrection during life, victory over life, and glory after life.

Romans 8:9-17 / June 16, 2019

Be assured (remember) you have ...

1. CHRIST ... IN YOUR LIFE - verse 9

1st Corinthians 6:19

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the **Holy Spirit**, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own."

THE SPIRIT OF GOD / CHRIST ...

- 1. carries out the purposes of God and
- 2. applies the fruits of Christ's redemptive mission
- ... to the lives of believers

2. <u>RESURRECTION</u>... <u>DURING LIFE</u> – verses 10-12

The Spirit's future work on behalf of the saints will be to "give life" to their mortal (i.e., subject-to-death) bodies.

"Outside of the cross of Jesus Christ, there is no hope in this world. That cross and resurrection at the core of the Gospel is the only hope for humanity." – Ravi Zacharias

3. VICTORY ... OVER LIFE – verses 13-16

Deuteronomy 9:3

"But be <u>assured</u> today that <u>the LORD your God is the one</u> who goes across <u>ahead of you</u> like a devouring fire. <u>He will</u> destroy them; <u>he will</u> subdue them before you. <u>And you will</u> drive them out and annihilate them quickly, as the LORD has promised you."

"When there is discouragement, the Holy Spirit gives us fortitude. When we can't go on, the Holy Spirit gives us the 'gasoline' to go on. When we are afraid, the Holy Spirit comes alongside and gives us courage.

When we fear death, He reminds us of heaven.

When we have lost those we love, we remember home.

When we don't have the words to speak before God or people, He provides the words and gives an adequate translation.

When we have reached the end of our rope, the Holy Spirit ties a knot and gives us the grace to hang on until Christ comes."

"FOLLOW THE WIND: Our Lord, The Holy Spirit" by Steve Brown

4. GLORY ... AFTER LIFE – verse 17

"Don't fall into fear because of this turbulent life. That's why you really need a good – 'Abba' Father." – Earl Palmer

Don't let the turbulence of life <u>define</u> you. Your <u>dignity</u> does not come from the world around you, it comes from God's <u>decision</u> about you.

Colossians 4:12

"Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully <u>assured</u>."

Ephesians 1:13-14

"Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession – to the praise of his glory."