No Condemnation!

(Romans 8:1-2)

Introduction: 1. Occasionally, we need to be reminded why we should be Christians.

- 2. Romans 8:1 declares one of the many reasons we should be a Christian.
- 3. It is the aim of this lesson to examine a few important truths gleaned from this passage.

I. There Is No Condemnation

- A. Paul just concluded chapter seven by saying, "O wretched man that I am. Who will deliver me from this body of death?"
- B. The contrast between the old law and the new is made.
- 1. Under the old law there was condemnation and death.
- 2. Under the new law there is no condemnation and life.
- C. Stop and think what it means to stand condemned before God!
- 1. (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9).
- 2. (Hebrews 10:26-31).
- 3. (Romans 2:1-5).

II. No Condemnation Is In Christ

- A. (Romans 6:3).
- B. (Galatians 3:26-27).
- C. Baptism is no more important than any other act of obedience to God it just happens to be the culminating act whereby God declares you pardoned.
- D. Faith (Romans 10:10), Repentance (Acts 11:18), and Confession (Romans 10:10) are actions that lead us unto salvation, but baptism is spoken of in terms of placing us into the sphere of salvation.
- E. Note: it is not our goal to baptize people. Our goal and our focus should be to cause people to want to surrender their will to Christ.

III. No Condemnation In Christ If We Walk After The Spirit

- A. Continued obedience is necessary (James 1:21).
- B. (John 14:15).
- C. (1 John 1:7).
- D. I don't suppose we will ever cease from sin, but that is not our major concern.
- 1. God has made provision for sin.
- 2. However, He has made no provision for those who stop fighting and surrender to sin.
- Conclusion: 1. How great it would be if we could all leave here assured that we are not condemned before God.
 - 2. And there is no reason why this cannot be the case.
 - 3. Surrender your life to Christ and enjoy your new standing before God.