

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS CHAPTER 8



Part 5

The Spiritual life of prayer

Romans 8:26-27

New International Version

26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

Romans 8:26-27

New Living Translation

26 And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. 27

And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

***Living a Life in
the Spirit***



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"Life in the Spirit" refers to living in accordance with the guidance and influence of the Holy Spirit, which involves a deep personal relationship with God and a commitment to spiritual growth. This concept emphasizes the importance of being led by the Spirit in daily life, fostering transformation and empowerment through faith.

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Grace and Faith!



We see a spiritual pattern



*We now come to
prayer*

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*Life in the Spirit is
a life in prayer*



Help in our weakness

Romans 8:26-27

English Standard Version

26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Romans 8:18-25

New International Version

Present Suffering and Future Glory

22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. 23 Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this **hope** we were saved. But **hope** that is seen is no **hope** at all. Who **hopes** for what they already have? 25 But if we **hope** for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Romans 5:1-5

English Standard Version

Peace with God Through Faith

5 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-5

English Standard Version

Peace with God Through Faith

3 Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5 and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.




*The deep connection
with God*

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