Romans 7:1-8:5 Jack Mayhall

I. Introduction.

A. God wants us to yield our lives to the Lord. (Mark 10:29-30)

II. Justification does not come by the works that we do. It only comes through faith in Jesus Christ.

III. God has given us his Word for holy living. Justification is the beginning and sanctification is the end. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

- A. We were saved from the penalty of sin.
- B. We are being saved from the power of sin.
- C. We will be saved from the penalty of sin.

IV. The law is a guardian and shows us our inability to keep it. (Galatians 3)

A. Paul's present struggle with sin.

- B. The renewal of our minds is a process. (Romans 12:1)
- C. Intake of the Word of God gets God's thoughts into our minds.

V. Walking according to the Spirit is related to the realization of our union with Christ.

A. We must know the truth and then act upon it with Christ's love as our motivation. (Colossians 2:6, 2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

B. Christ then gives us power to live the Christian life.

C. You should be developing some healthy habit such as Scripture memory.

D. God is asking us to be totally dependent upon him in the everyday affairs of life.

Application questions:

1. How is a person justified before God? Explain.

2. What was the purpose of the law?

3. What does it look like to walk according to the Spirit?