



Paul's Letter to the Galatians

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Day 19 Galatians 5:16-18

Inner Opposition

Read Jeremiah 17:9. Can we trust our feelings?

Read Romans 7:13-25. What does Paul say produced death in him? What is Paul wrestling with in these verses? How does Paul view the law here? Does Paul have hope in the midst of this struggle?

Read Ephesians 6:10-13. What type of battle are we really engaged in? What must we do, therefore, to fight this battle?

Read Luke 7:41-47. What example does Jesus give here to describe the debt of sin that we have? Look closely at verse 47. Can you see, perhaps in your own life, how it is true that "he who is forgiven little, loves little"? Explain your thoughts on this.

When we truly see how much we have been forgiven of, we respond to Christ's death for us out of gratitude, not out of duty. The difference results in true obedience, not obedience out of obligation.

As you spend time with God today, consider Paul's thoughts in Romans 7. Do you hate the sin you once loved? Do you struggle against that sin, or do tolerate it? Do you see the war within yourself that Paul describes, as you do the things you do not want to do while not doing the things you want to do? Ask God to continue to sanctify your flesh, to help you to want the things that He wants you to have. Consider how much you have to be thankful to Him for, how much you have truly been forgiven of, and ask Him to help you to obey out of gratitude, not obligation.