Romans 8 King James Version (KJV)

8 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (When we do what is right, we walk in the spirit. Stay away from the temptations and the lusts of this world)

²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. (That's because of repentance and forgiveness. Under the law only, no one would make it, because we all sin)

³For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending <u>his own Son</u> in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: (His begotten – God in the flesh; not His "son") (Paul was not a prophet. He was a Bible teacher)

NOTES: (There is one God. We are monotheists, not polytheists. The trinity was invented by the early church. It is traditions of men. Nowhere in the Bible is there any mention of a trinity of three Gods working together)

See Isaiah-7:14 (Immanuel = God with us; Isaiah was a prophet)

(I have actually heard a Christian woman ask – what kind of God would send his own son to be crucified. HE didn't send anyone. HE did it Himself, as Jesus Christ. Jesus is God in the flesh man form. When God said – Let US make man in OUR own image, He included Himself. Jesus is God in the image of a flesh man) Genesis-1:26, 3:15

(There is one God. HE has many offices – Yahoveh <the Father Creator>; Jesus <The Savior>; the Holy Spirit of God <the Comforter>; Melchizedek <the man with no parents who walked with Abraham>; the Angel of God <God in angelic form>. God is who, where and when He wants to be. Time and space mean nothing to God)

(Jesus called Himself the son of man. Men called Him the Son of God because they didn't understand that He was God. Jesus said – If you've seen me, you've seen the Father) John-14:9

- ⁴That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (This is the Spirit of God)
- For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. (We do what our mind is focused on. Keep your mind and your attention on things of the Spirit)
- ⁶For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. (Those who live only in the flesh have nothing to look forward to. It's better to keep your eye on the prize eternal life with God)
- ⁷Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. (The two are mutually exclusive)
- *So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
- But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. (We must make the choice to become a part of the Christian church of Jesus Christ. If we do that, He will accept us)
- ¹⁰ And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.
- "But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. (He that raised up Christ from the dead Jesus resurrected Himself from the dead after 3 1/2 days. He did it to prove to us that He had defeated death. Paul just doesn't get it) see Hebrews-2:14

NOTE: (When Jesus was "dead" in the flesh, He wasn't dead, because He is God. Only His flesh body was dead. HE went, in spirit form, to the great gulf and preached to them in order to offer them the same salvation that He offers us. Many of them accepted Jesus Christ and His doctrine. They were saved, just as we can be. Those people had lived and died under the law, without the gift of repentance and forgiveness that we enjoy. God is fair to all people) 1Peter-3:18-20

- ¹²Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.
- ¹³ For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. (We will live in Paradise with God, in our spiritual body)
- ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. (We become the sons of God by choosing to live by His Christian doctrine)
- ¹⁵ For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, <u>Abba</u>, Father. (Abba = father <in Aramaic>)
- ¹⁶The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: (All souls belong to God. HE created us) Ezekiel-18:4
- "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. (The world persecutes anyone who chooses to be a Christian. Don't let them intimidate you. They will lose in the end)
- ¹⁸ For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. (Paul is right. This flesh life means nothing in the grand scheme of things. It means very little when compared to the life that is waiting for us in Paradise)
- ¹⁹ For the earnest expectation of the <u>creature</u> waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. (creature = creation better translation) (The world will be renewed by God after this Age ends)
- ²⁰ For the <u>creature</u> was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, (creature = creation − better translation)

- ²¹Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

 Revelation-21 (God will rejuvenate the world in the Third Age)
- ²² For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. (The creation waits eagerly for the coming of the Third Age the rejuvenation of nature and the eternity with God)
- ²³ And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. (Back to our spiritual body; this is the same body that we had during the First Age)

(which have the first fruits of the Spirit – these are called the Elect. They stood with God, during the First Age, when Satan rebelled. They are also called the saints, by Paul)

- ²⁴ For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?
- ²⁶ But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it. (Our faith in Him, without having seen for ourselves pleases God the most)
- ²⁶Likewise <u>the Spirit</u> also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but <u>the Spirit</u> itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. (The Holy Spirit of God)
- ²⁷ And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for <u>the saints</u> according to the will of God. (the saints = the set aside ones the Elect. They were chosen in the First Age, because they sided with God, when Satan rebelled. Most of the others either sided with Satan, or they didn't care one way or the other)

(That's why it is better to pray for something – if it is by God's will; not our own)

²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. (The

Apostles were called by Jesus. They didn't volunteer. They were a part of the Elect)

²⁹ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. (These are the Elect. They were justified by God during the First Age)

(The rest of us have free will. We must choose to follow God, rather than the ways of the world)

- ³⁰ Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. (In the First Age) (These people are the Elect)
- ³¹ What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? (No one can stand against God. Choose to be on His side and you will do just fine; regardless of what the world thinks)
- ³² He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? (HE spared not Himself <Jesus is God in the flesh>. Paul just didn't understand that. Our flesh body is like our avatar in this dimension. Jesus was God's "avatar" in flesh form. He is God)
- ³³ Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. (Don't judge others. Leave that up to God. HE knows what He's doing)
- ³⁴Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. (Jesus became our intercessor between us and the enemy. Jesus <God in the flesh form> is our advocate)

Isaiah-7:14 (Immanuel = God with us)

³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? (Don't let the evils and temptations of the world separate you from God)

³⁶ As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Psalms-44:22

(Christians have been persecuted since Jesus began His ministry. The Jews, Muslims, Hindus, atheists, agnostics, communists, socialists, pagans, etc are all guilty of that – and God will judge them for it)

NOTES: (We don't have to take it. Defend yourself; defend your family; defend your Christian nation. "Turn the other cheek" only applies to preachers who are teaching the heathen. It is falsely taught to everyone else, and is it wrong)

(Be peaceful. Be merciful. Be compassionate. Be a good example to others. But don't be a whipping post for bullies and scumbags who seek to do you harm. The Apostles carried swords for self defense)

³⁷Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (We have the victory because God will never leave us or forsake us. The enemies of Christianity will fall under the awesome power of almighty God)

³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Stay focused on God and let the world go where it will. Separate yourself from the ways of the world; but never from God)