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Speaker: Erwin Klingenberg **Series:** This I Believe – The Book of Romans

Passage: Romans 8:12-17

Community Group Questions: “Our Identity in the Spirit”

1. In Romans 8:12-13, we read that if we live according to the flesh, we will die; but if we kill the deeds of the body, we will live. Dying to live and living to die is one of the common paradoxes that we are presented with in Scripture. Can you think of other apparent paradoxes or (at least from the world’s perspective) contradictions that we as Christ followers are called to live out?
2. What does it mean to mortify the flesh, or “put to death the deeds of the body”? What does this look like? Why is this for us, even though we have been crucified with Christ? What tools do we have as Christians to help us in this struggle?
3. How does the realization that you are a, “son of God,” affect you (or how should it affect you)?
4. Spend some time in your group discussing the different areas of our glorification in Christ:
 - a. The spiritual aspect of our glorification (Philippians 1:6; Colossians 1:22; 1 Corinthians 13:12 and 1 John 3:2)
 - b. The physical aspect of our glorification (Philippians 3:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:1-5)
5. Paul seems to tie our inheritance and glorification with Christ to our suffering with Christ. What does that mean and why do you think that is the case?