

SERMON NOTES



This week's sermon **They Walk Among Us!** *Romans 8:5-8*

Similarities and differences of those who live “according to the Spirit,” or according to “the flesh”:

1. They both live in a regular body.
2. They both set their minds on something.
 - Those of the flesh: on death
 - Those of the Spirit: on life and peace

A mind set on the flesh:

- Does not, and cannot submit to God's Law
- Cannot please God
- Is hostile with God

Digging Deeper Into the Message

Pastor Mike ended the sermon with 2 Corinthians 5:17:
"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." Let's spend some time with this section of scripture.

Read 2 Corinthians 3: 7-18.

What is our hope?

What does the liberty described in verse 17 free us to do?

How is our relationship with God described?

How are we transformed?

Read 2 Corinthians 4. Paul describes light shining (4:6), using the concept from Genesis 1:3. How does he go on to describe this light?

How does Paul explain how we don't lose heart? (2 Corinthians 4: 13 through chapter 5:5)

Read the rest of 2 Corinthians 5.

Verses 14 &15 describe an amazing reason for Paul's mission and for ours. Put this in your own words.

Following Paul's explanation of how we behold Him and are transformed, now being able to fellowship with God with "unveiled faces," read verses 17-21 and list the things done for you.

What is your response to this?

How does this truth impact your mindset?

Challenge: Memorize 2 Corinthians 5:17.