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Romans 7:21-25

<sup>21</sup> So I find <u>this law</u> at work: Although <u>I want to do good</u>, <u>evil is</u> right there with me.

- <sup>22</sup> For in my inner being I delight in God's law;
- of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me.
- <sup>24</sup> What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from <u>this body</u> that is subject to death?
- <sup>25</sup> Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, <u>I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law</u>, but <u>in</u> my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin.

#### John 20:31

<sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

# Romans 6:11 (MSG)

11 From now on, **think of it this way**: Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you; God speaks your mother tongue, and

you hang on every word. You are dead to sin and alive to God.

That's what Jesus did.

### Romans 6:11 (Good News Translation)

11 In the same way you <u>are to think</u> of yourselves as dead, so far as sin is concerned, but living in fellowship with God through Christ Jesus.

# Romans 6:11 (Contemporary English Version)

11 In the same way, you <u>must think</u> of yourselves as dead to the power of sin. But Christ Jesus has given life to you, and you live for God.

The Truth: Jesus died in our place. Now in Christ, we take His place.

Truth application process:

- 1. Knowing the truth
- 2. Counting the truth upon ourselves
- 3. Offering our body to God's purpose

Understanding spiritual laws to understand our spiritual struggle

The spiritual law in our spiritual struggle #1: The Law of Sin

Romans 7:21

<sup>21</sup> So I find <u>this law</u> at work: Although <u>I want to do good</u>, <u>evil is</u> right there with me.

The spiritual law in our spiritual struggle #2:
The Law of Our New Spirit (The law of my mind)

Romans 7:22

<sup>22</sup> For in my inner being I delight in God's law;

The spiritual law in our spiritual struggle #3:

Another law that makes us subject to the law of sin

Romans 7:23

but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me.

Our despair and frustration in our spiritual journey

Romans 7:24

<sup>24</sup> What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?

Our ultimate hope in Christ regardless of our despair

Romans 7:25

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