



# Sermon Discussion Guide

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## SUMMARY

Big Idea: ***The Law is Holy, Our Sin is Evil, and Jesus is Lord***

In Romans 7:7-25, Paul writes, as a testimony, about the inner working of the Christian life, showing us why we still struggle with sin and where our hope ultimately lies. This is not an unbeliever making excuses, and it is not a Christian settling for defeat, but a man who knows the war between the flesh and the Spirit. An honest reading, for the believer, will lead us to join Paul's cry, "Wretched man that I am!", and also to look beyond ourselves for the resolution, "Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!"

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### Intro:

1. There are 2 traps (at least!) that can ensnare us when we think about the Christian life:  
**1)** I'll never change. **2)** I can fix myself. Which trap do you find more prevalent in your life?
  - a. Which one do you more commonly apply to others? ("**They** will never change," or, "**They** should fix themselves.")

### Read Romans 7:7-12

2. What does Paul want for us to know about the Law?
3. Why do we need to know this? How/when are you tempted to view the law as "bad"?

### Read Romans 7:13-23

4. What does Paul desire for us to know about sin?
5. How have you seen the inner struggle Paul describes here in your own life? Past? Current?
  - a. In what way is this struggle evidence of Life? (How would you respond to a professing believer who says they never struggle with sin?)

### Read Romans 7:24-25

6. v24. What conclusion does Paul reach about himself?
7. v25. Where then is hope to be found?
8. How do verses 24-25 relate? Can you celebrate v25 without the inner cry of v24?
9. How do verses 24-25 apply to the opening question, #1? (How does the truth of these verses apply to you today? This week?)

## KINGDOM IMPACT - MULTIPLY

1. **Pray, Think, and Act.** Share any developments and updates in the areas below:
  - a. **Reach** – That God would use you to lead 1 person to faith in Christ
  - b. **Belong** – to multiply opportunities for others to be brought into community
  - c. **Serve** – to begin serving, invite others into serving, or multiplying serving efforts by meeting needs or blessing neighbors or ministry partners together as a group
  - d. **Gather** – to multiply the church (planting, revitalization, helping other churches)