

## **THE GOSPEL TO THE ROMANS** **“I Pledge Allegiance to Jesus Christ”**

**Romans 7:14-25**

- 1. The believer’s evaluation of himself in the light of the law: vs 14**
  - a. A *spiritual understanding* of the law: Deut 4:12-13/Ps 19:7  
From God/To the heart/To Christ
  - b. The attitude of biblically informed believers in the light of the law:  
Rom 7:14b/Ps 38:1-8/Phil 3:21/1 Cor 15:50-56
  - c. A summation of its power to expose and condemn sin in me: Rom 7:11; 4:15
  
- 2. Only true believers delight in God’s law: vs 22**
  - a. The inward man is Christ: Ps 40:7 (Hebrew meaning) – pleased Deut 24:1/Ps 22:8
  - b. The believers union to Christ grants Him this experience: Ps 1:2; 119:16, 24, 35, 70
  - c. The wicked hate God’s law: Ps 50:16-17/Ps 10:4-5/Hosea 4:6/Prov 6:23/  
John 3:19  
“Cain/Joseph” Do well—Believe the gospel/Identify with Christ/fight—Gen 39:9
  
- 3. The Two natures in the believer will always disagree: vs 15**
  - a. A matter of conflict necessary for enemies: Gal 5:17 (LORD/Amalek – Ex 17:6)
  - b. Agreement with the law affirms the believer’s identity: vs 16-17/1 John 3:9
  - c. This choice to separate from sin in me, is the first step in my allegiance to Christ:  
Romans 7:18-20
  
- 4. Christ bore this fight for you when He took on our nature: 2 Cor 5:20-21**
  - a. He dealt with 3-fold temptation: Mt 4:1-10
  - b. Bore its overwhelming weight: Ps 40:10-16/Mt 4:11
  - c. He owned the weakness that we must own: 2 Cor 13:4
  
- 5. It is a WHO that must deliver us ultimately: Rom 7:24-25**
  - a. He *did* having redeemed us: Rom 6:6 (the Cross)
  - b. He *DOES* having married us: Rom 7:6 (The Spirit); 8:2
  - c. He *will* promising to come back for us: Rom 8:11 (Glory)