



## Book of Romans

### Lesson 24

#### “Whatcha Thinkin’ About?”

Romans 8:1-11

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Today in the audio portion of our lesson, we referenced these verses regarding the Holy Spirit: Luke 24:44-45, 1 Corinthians 2:14-16, Ephesians 1:17-19, Ephesians 3:16-19, Colossians 1:9, Galatians 5:16-17, Galatians 5:25.

Read 1 John 5:18. This is one in a series of “we know” statements that John makes. What does John say about those who have been born of God?

Does this mean Christians don’t sin at all? How do you know? (Hint: Read verses 16-17.)

Read Philippians 4:4-8. Paul gives specific instructions on our behavior and thoughts here. What does he repeat in verse 4?

What does that tell you about the importance of that statement?

What should be the characteristic about Christians that is known to everyone?

What are we to do with our prayers and requests?

What will God’s peace protect?

Paul then tells us what our minds should be focused on. What are those things?

What does that tell you your thoughts should be concerned with?

Does this mean we ignore reality? (Hint: Paul, the man who suffered and will end up dying for Christ, is the one writing this.)

Read Colossians 3:1-2. What are the things we should be seeking?

What types of things are those “above”? (Hint: think in terms of contrasts with the things that are on the earth.)

What should our very minds be set on?

Read Hebrews 2:1. Why is it important that we pay attention to God’s word?

Read Colossians 2:13-14. What had God done when He made us alive with Him?

Look at the “courtroom” theme here: what has been cancelled?

How was it cancelled?

Read Jeremiah 31:33-34. What is the new covenant that God made?

Where is His law placed?

What will He be to us?

What will He forgive?

In the new covenant, God writes His law on our hearts!

Read Isaiah 53:4-6. What has the Messiah borne?

Why was He pierced?

Why was He crushed?

What did the chastisement upon Him bring to us?

According to verse 6, did we deserve this?

Yet what was placed on the Messiah?

Without Christ in our lives, we cannot please God, because we are still covered in our sin. We are His enemies. As you spend time with God today, thank Him for the salvation that He has provided for you, placing His law on your heart and your punishment on Christ.

Ask Him to help you to desire His Word, to seek it and to spend time in it, learning more about Him daily. Ask Him to help you to keep your focus on Him, and not to be set off course by the distractions of this world, but to trust Him as you walk according to His statutes with the help of His Spirit.