A New Heart

Man's Problem	God's Solution	Being Made Free
We cannot fix ourselves - why? Jer 17:9 - heart is deceitful and exceedingly wicked Gen 8:21 - intent of man's heart is evil from his youth Ro 7:14-24 The Law is spiritual - we are flesh - sold into bondage of sin (14) We do things we hate, don't do things we should (15) Sin in me (the flesh) that acts out the things I don't want (17-18) Principle - evil is present in me - the one who wants to do good (21) Who will set me free from the body of this death? (24) The Word is our shield and our sword - it is our offense and defense against Satan Keep our priorities right - Phil 3:7-14	God can fix us - He can take care of our wicked heart Ro 12:1-2 - the world tries to conform us - we need to be transformed - renewing our minds through the word of God The sermon is the outward working of the inward, transformed life (work of God) Law is spiritual - it is good Matt 5:17 - Jesus did not come to abolish the Law but to fulfill - God's standard of righteousness - Nothing wrong with Law - something wrong with us - Many people try to uphold the law - People try to keep the laws to make them righteous but what they need is a transformed heart and the keeping of the laws is an outward working of that Ro 8:2 - law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death	Ro 8:3 -Law couldn't make us right because we walk in the flesh God sent Jesus in likeness of sinful flesh As an offering for sin John 8:34-36 - whoever commits sin is a slave to sin - Slave doesn't remain in the house forever - the Son does - If the Son makes you free - you will be free indeed Until a person comes to salvation (truly) - he will never be able to live the way he desires! Ro 6:1-7 We are baptized into Christ's death (died to flesh) (3) Buried with Christ (flesh has been put into the ground - never to be taken up again) (4) Raised again from the dead with Christ so we can walk in newness of life (4) Old self was crucified with Christ - body of sin done away with - no longer slaves to sin (6) "done away with" - rendered powerless, or inoperative Il Cor 5:17; Col 3:9 Ro 6:14 - sin shall not master over us - not under law but under grace (Jude 4) Rom 8:4 - In Christ the Law was fulfilled - we who walk in the Spirit and not the flesh can keep the Law (God's standards of righteousness)

Being Made Free

Ro 8:1-17 The law of the Spirit has set us free from the Law of sin and death (2) Those who are in the flesh cannot please God (8) If anyone doesn't have the Spirit of Christ - they do not belong to Him (9) If the Holy Spirit is in us then we can walk by the Spirit and we are not under obligation to the flesh (12-17) Law shows us our sin - see it for what it is Kneel before God and humble ourselves when we see how destitute we truly are Heb 10:1-18 Law could not make us perfect (1) Reminder of sin (3) God never took pleasure in those sacrifices (6) Jesus takes away the first (covenant - Law) to establish the 2nd (covenant of grace) (9) We have been sanctified by the offering of Jesus Christ (10) Where there is forgiveness of sins there is no more offering for sin Jer 31:31-34 1. God's law will be put within them - internal 2. New relationship with God 3. They will know God - I John 2:27 4. Their sin I will remember no more - Jer 32:38-40 - they will not depart from Him	In the new covenant - we will have a new heart - God's laws will be on our heart - We will know Him - They will not turn away I John 2:19 - not staying in the fellowship of believers show that they were not a part of the believers Ez 36:26-27	