



SONS OF GOD

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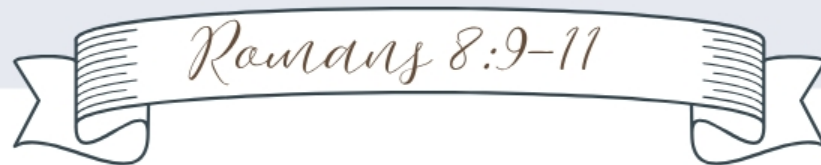
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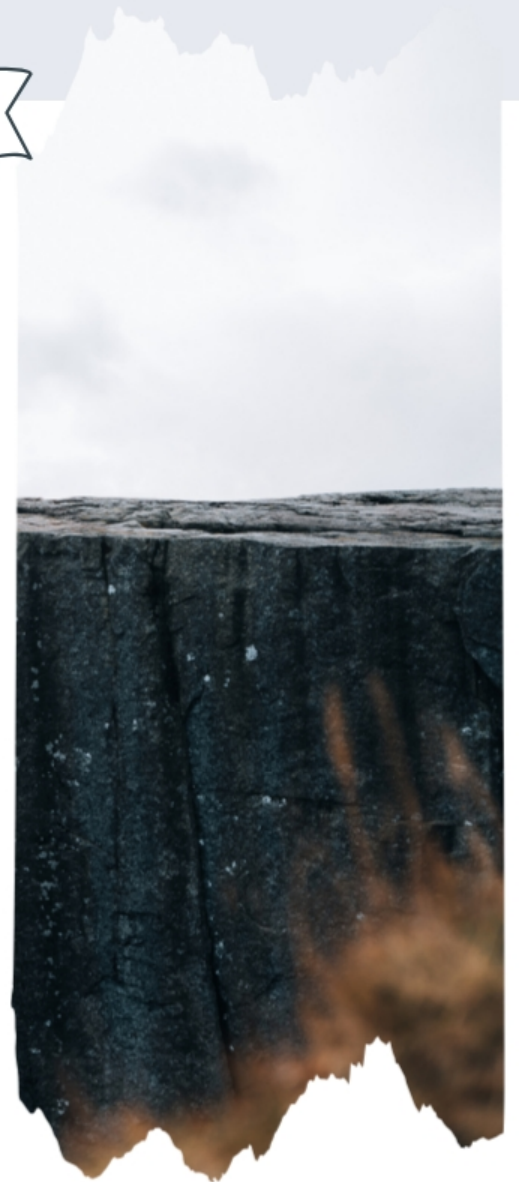
“through His Spirit who dwells in you.”



Romans 8:12-15

“
So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

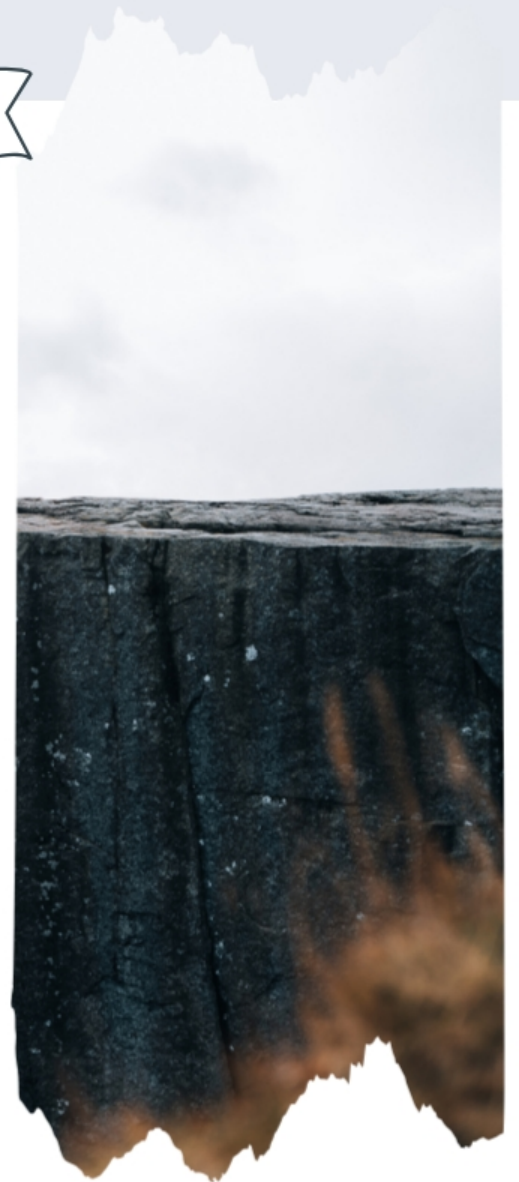
Romans 7:25b”



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“
Who **will set me free**
from the body of this
death?”

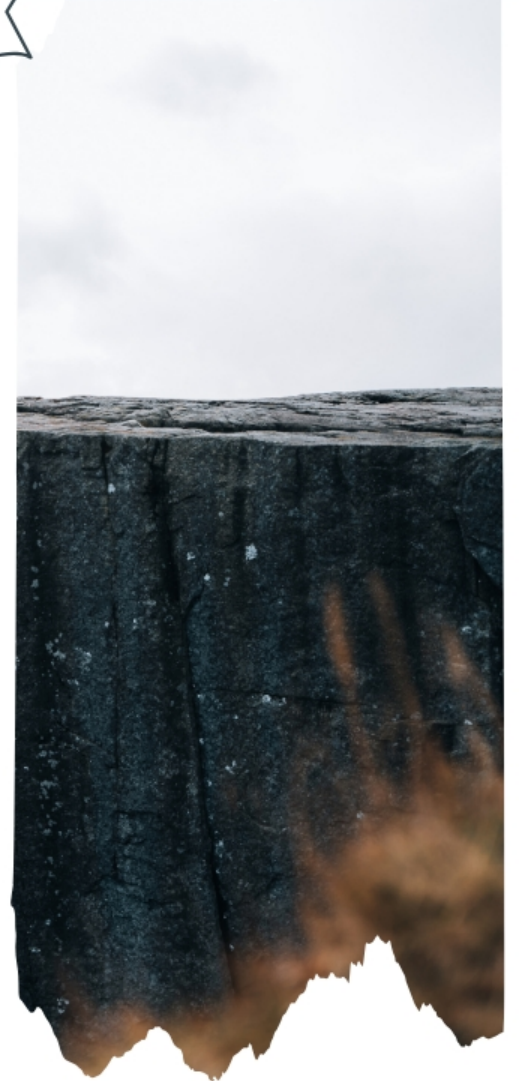
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For the law of the Spirit
of life in Christ Jesus
has set you free from
the law of sin and
death.

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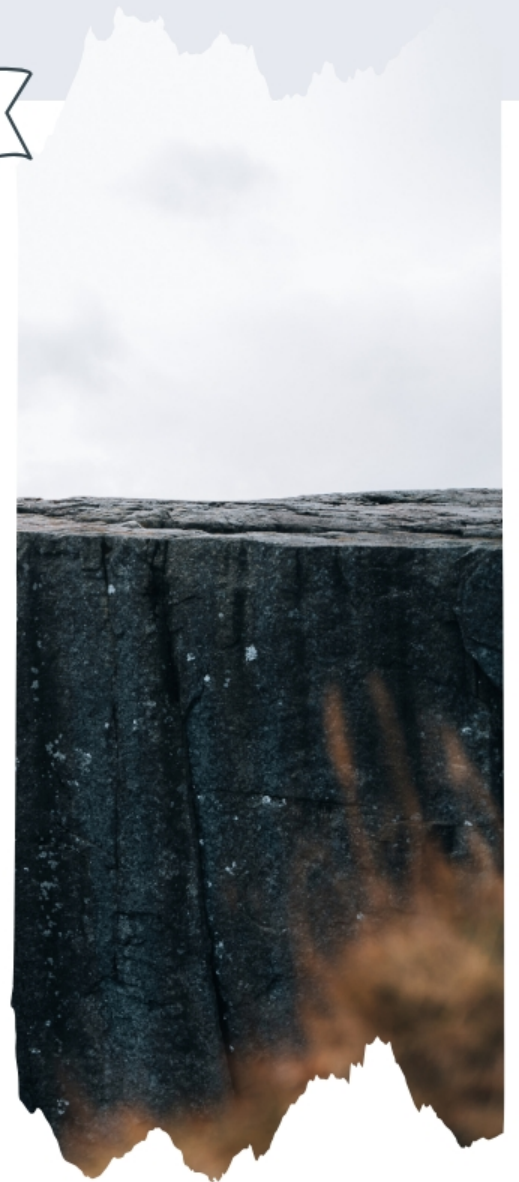


Romans 8:12-15

Even though you still
have a sin nature
indwelling your flesh...

You have **died** to it.

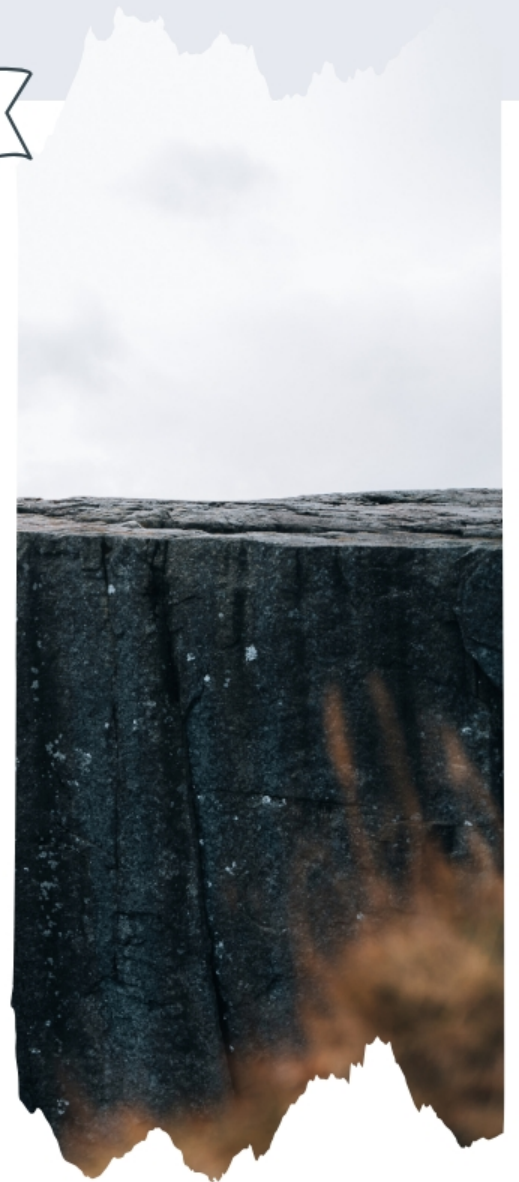
It has no more
authority over you.



Romans 8:12-15

Because you are
permanently **identified**
with Jesus...

His death is recognized
by God as your death.

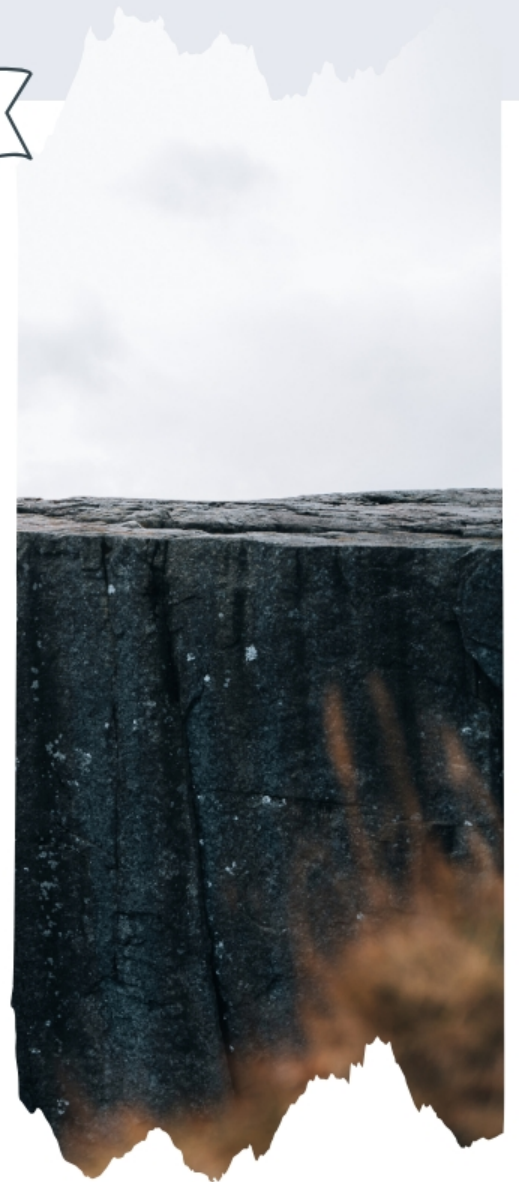


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Because Jesus died to
the power of sin on the
cross,

And you are “in Christ,”

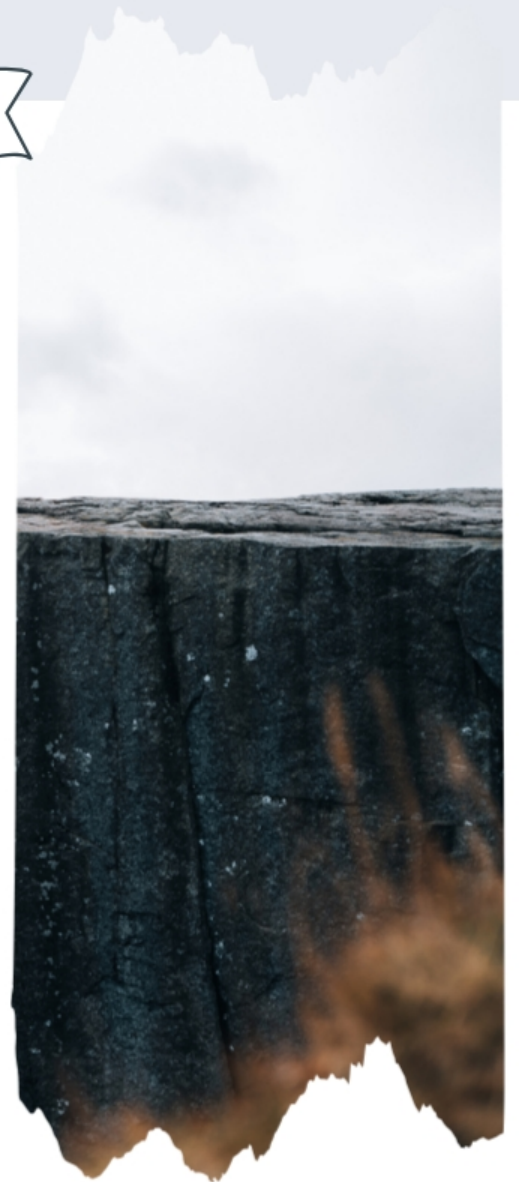
Then **you** died to sin
when He did.



Romans 8:12-15

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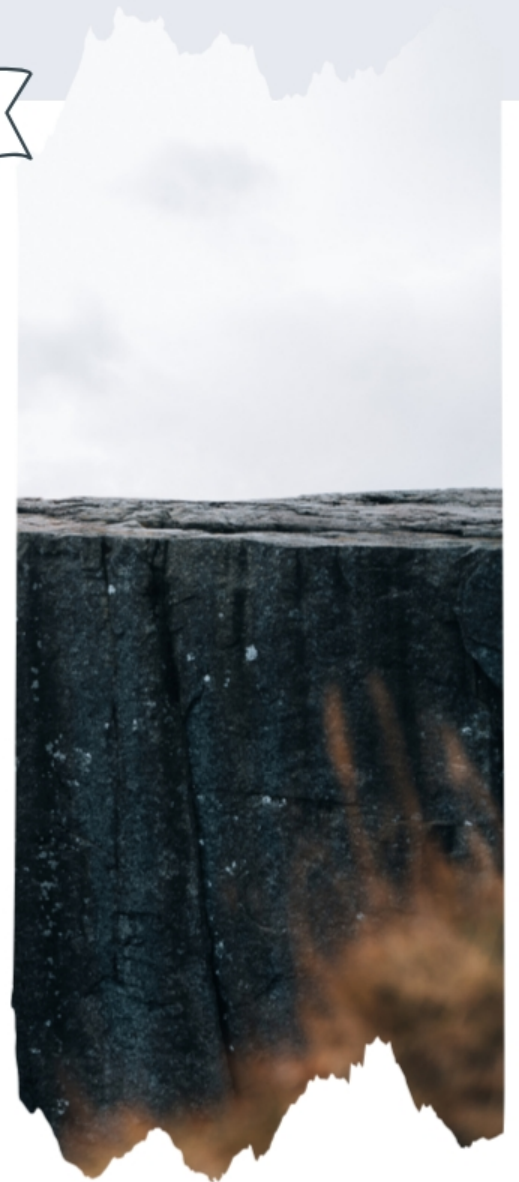


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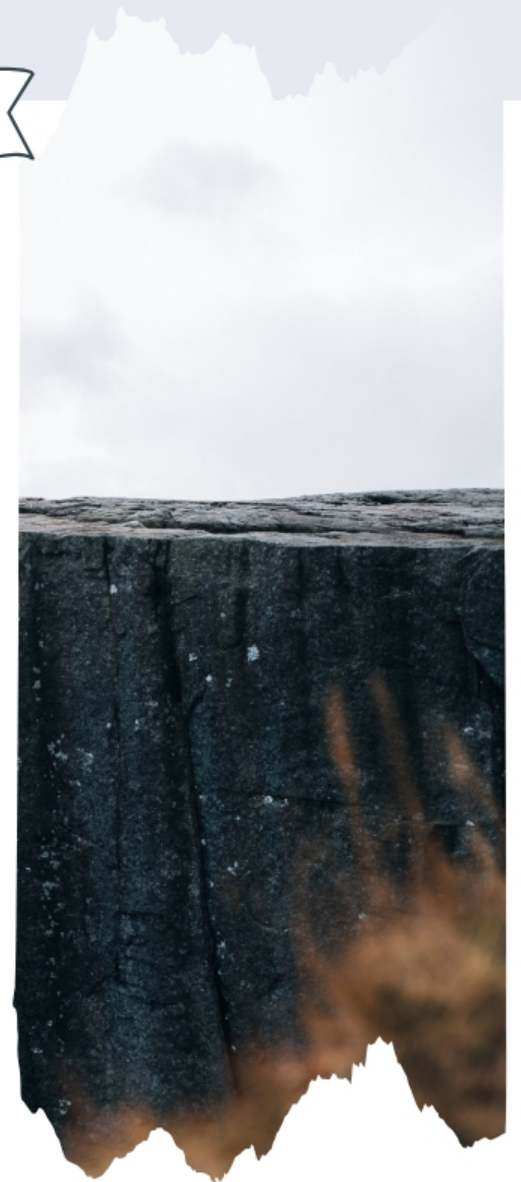
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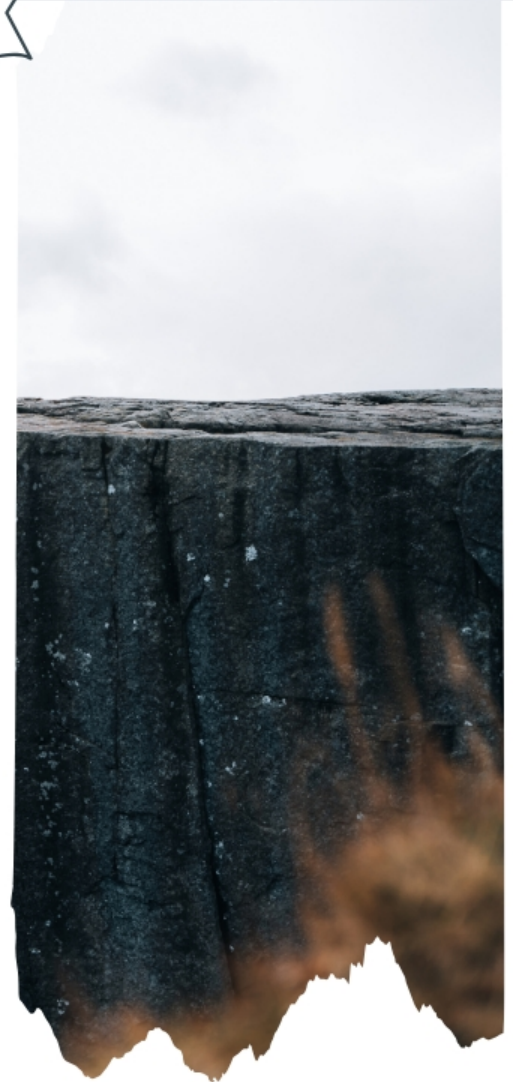
We don't **owe**
the flesh a thing!!



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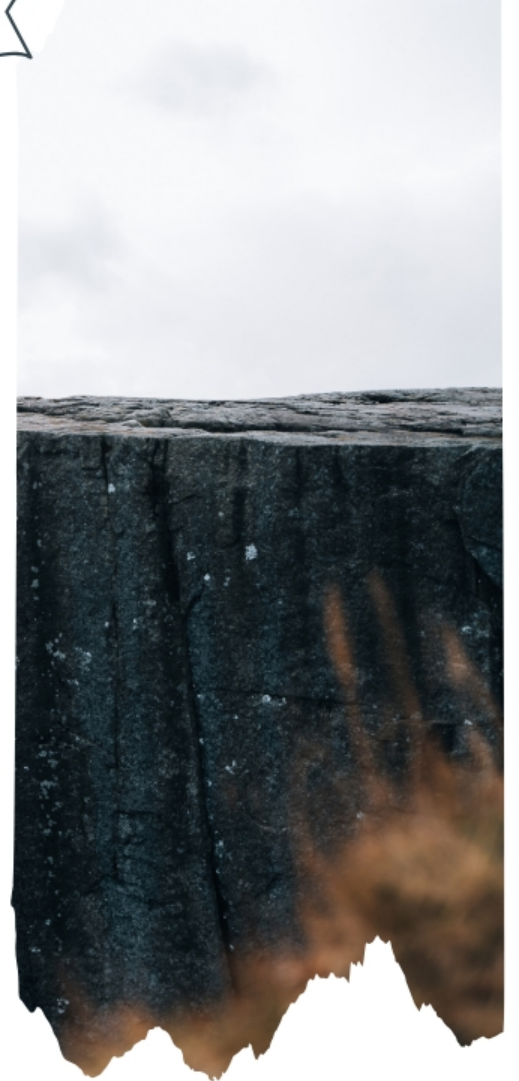
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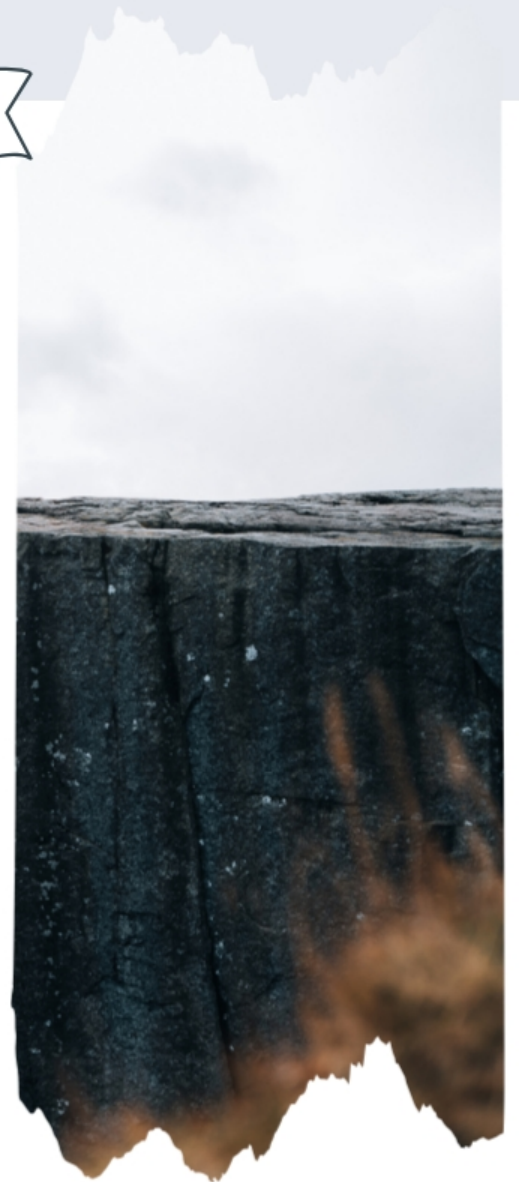


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“
...How shall **we who died to sin** still live in it? Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been **baptized into His death?**

Romans 6:2b-3 ”

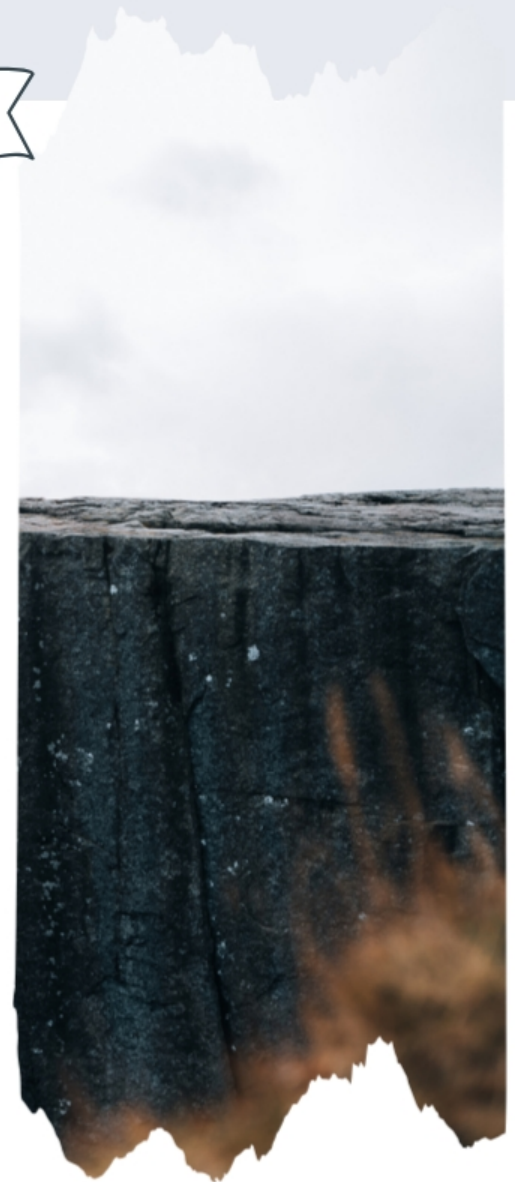


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Romans 8:12-15

and having been
freed from sin,
you became
slaves of
righteousness.

Romans 6:18 ”

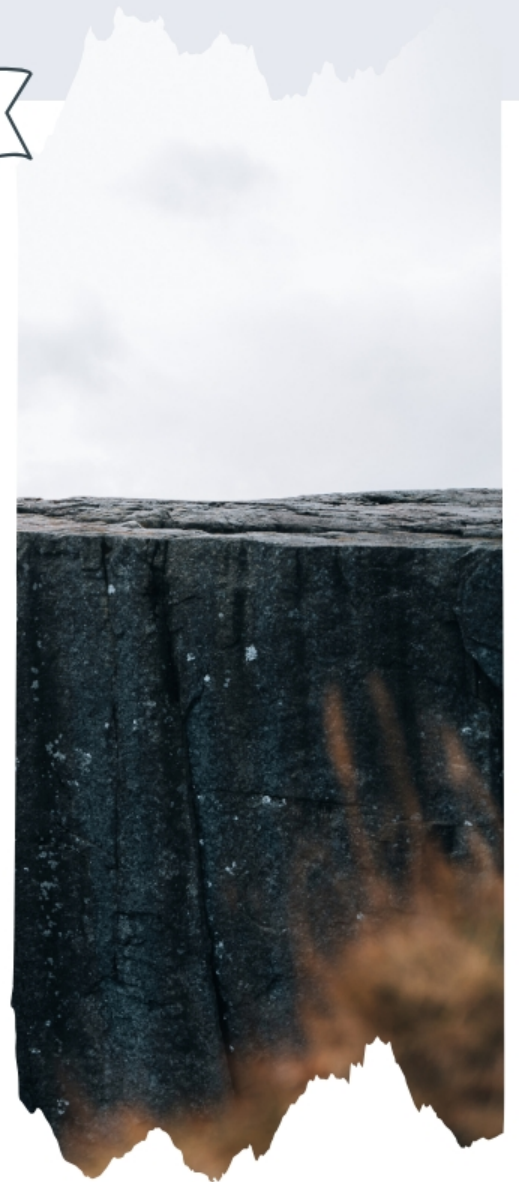


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Romans 8:13a”



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Romans 8:12-15

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when **we were dead** in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved,

Ephesians 2:4-5”



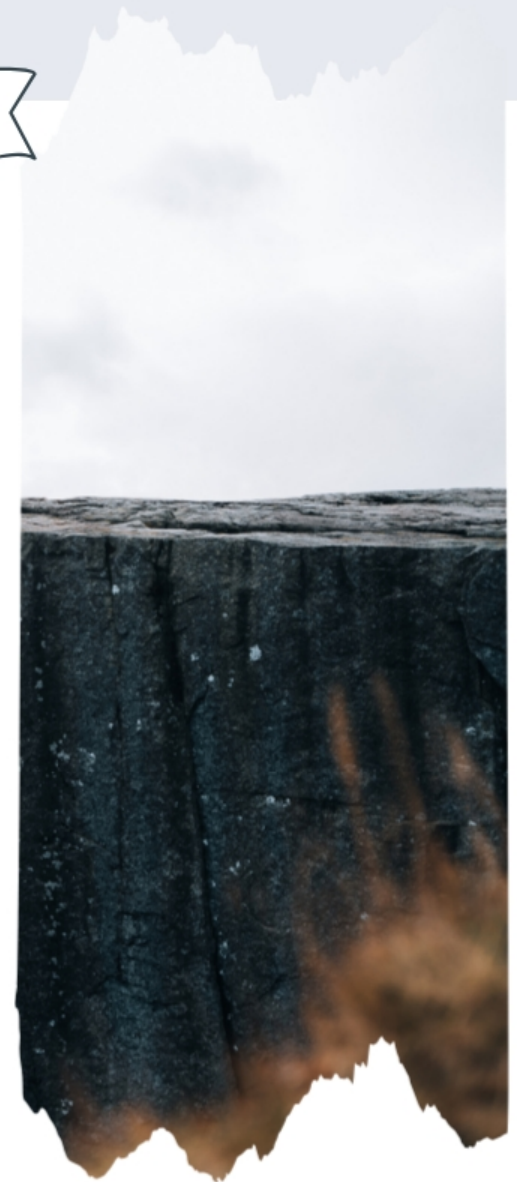
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“ Truly, truly, I say to you,
he who hears My word,
and believes Him who
sent Me, has **eternal
life**, and does not come
into judgment, but has
**passed out of death
into life.**

John 5:24

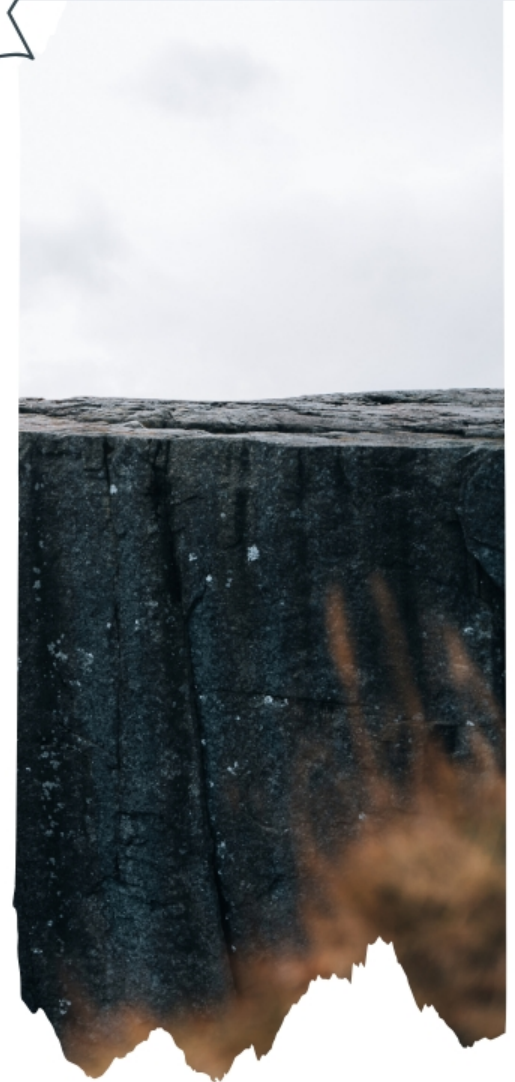
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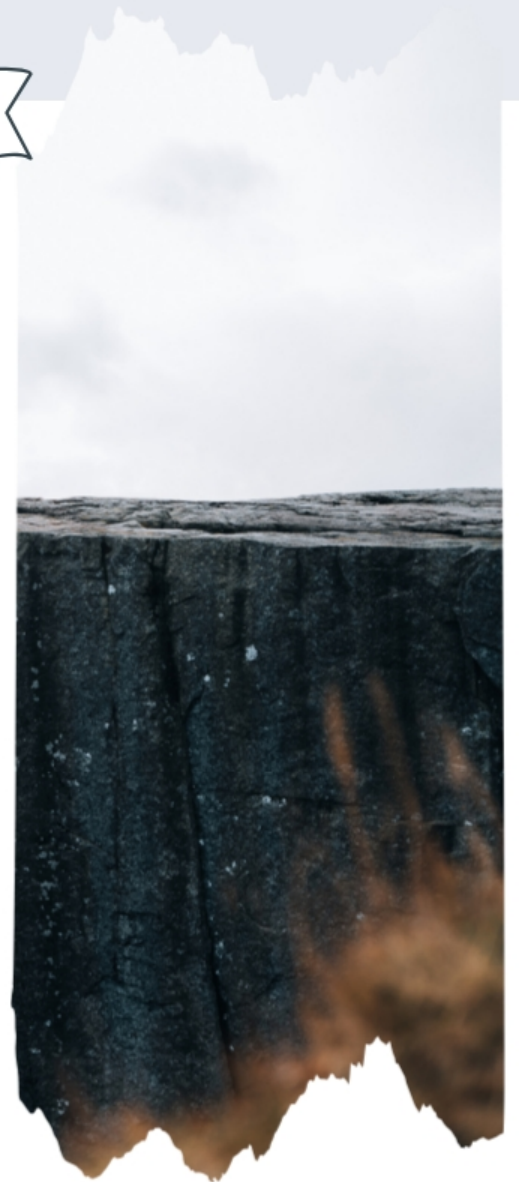


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“
But she who gives
herself to wanton
pleasure is **dead even**
while she lives.

1 Timothy 5:6 ”



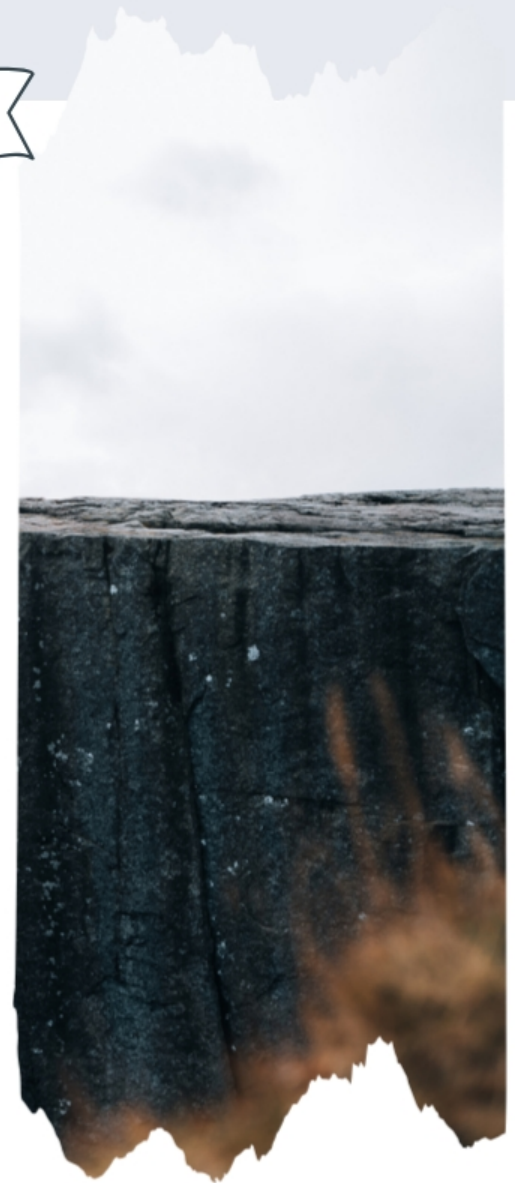
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“
for this son of mine was
dead and has come to
life again; he was lost
and has been found.
And they began to
celebrate.

Luke 15:24

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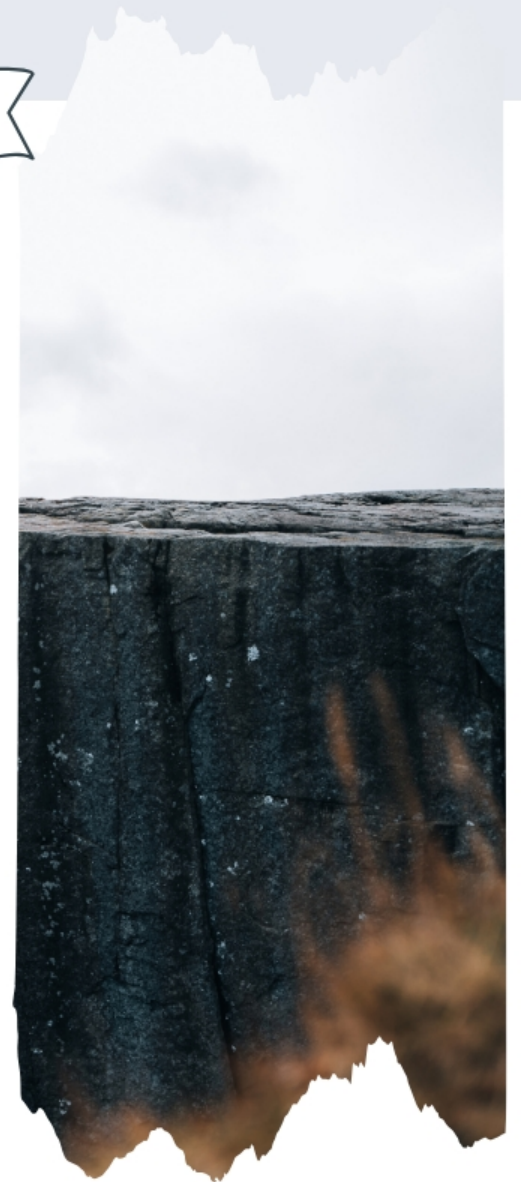


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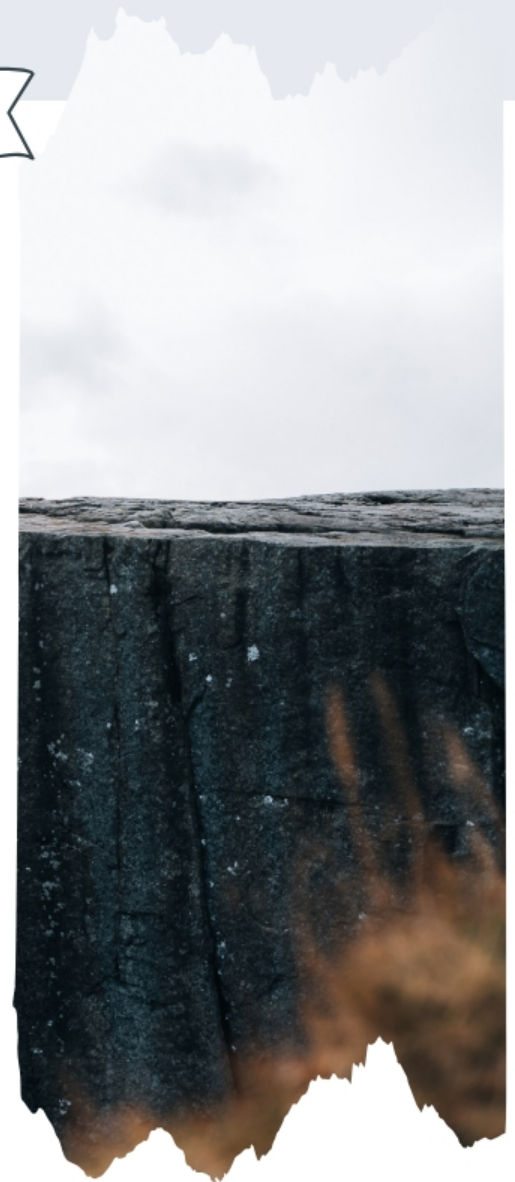
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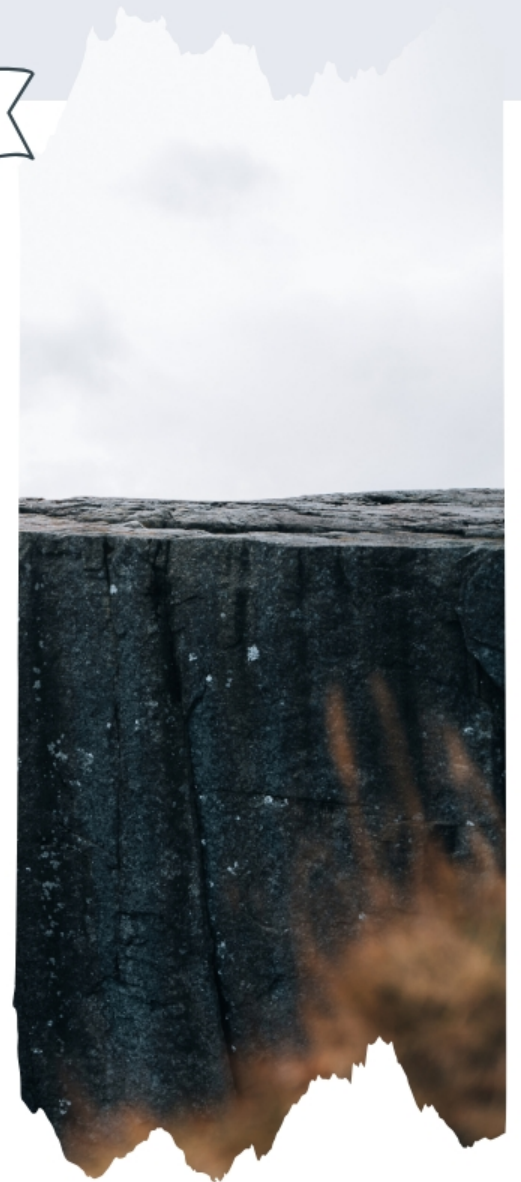
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benefits and enjoyment
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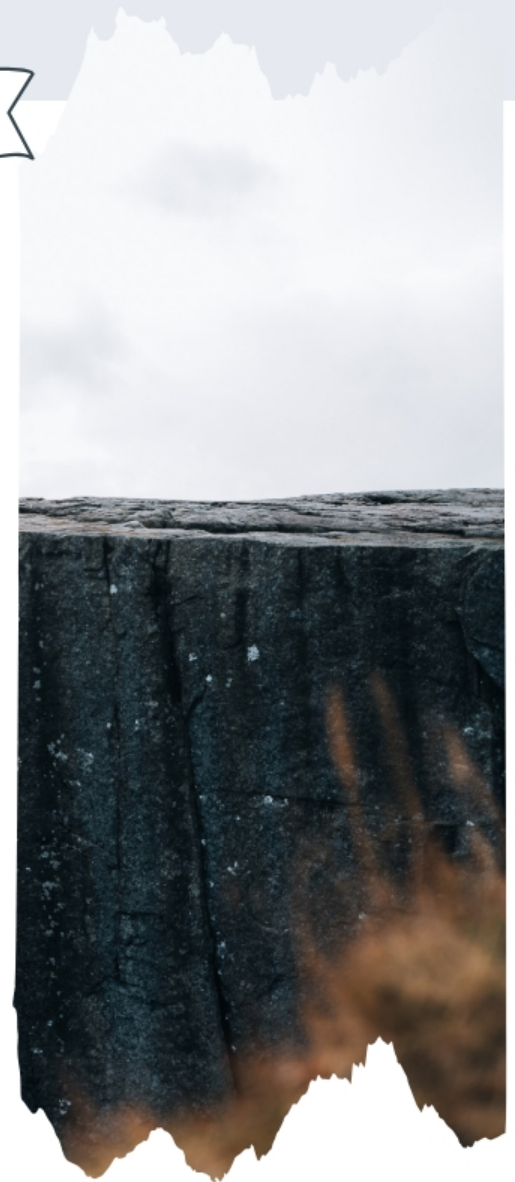


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THEN...
you should expect to be in
a state of temporal death
(not living the kind of life
that is pleasing to God and a
blessing to other believers)

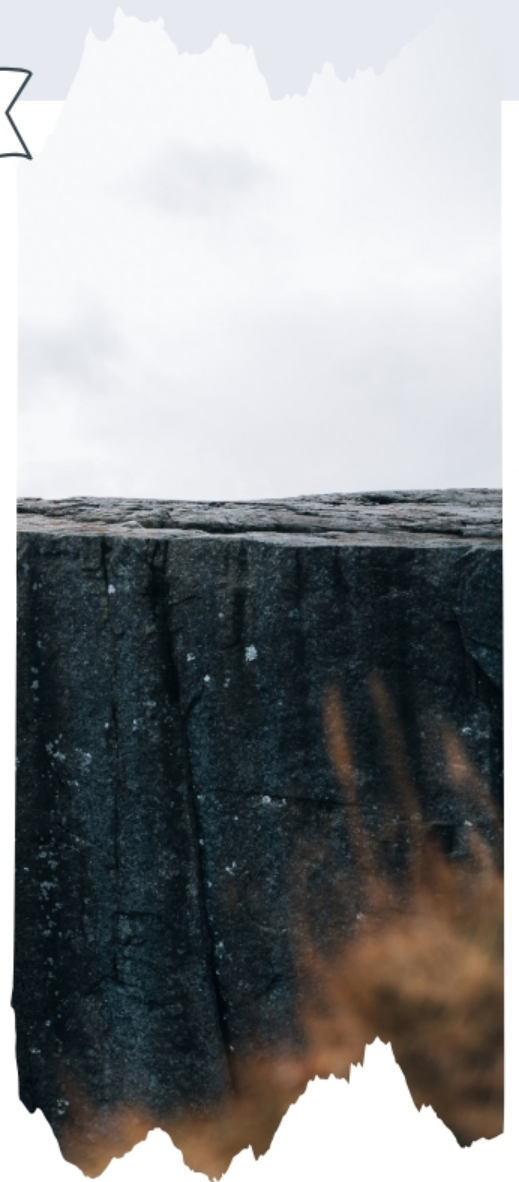


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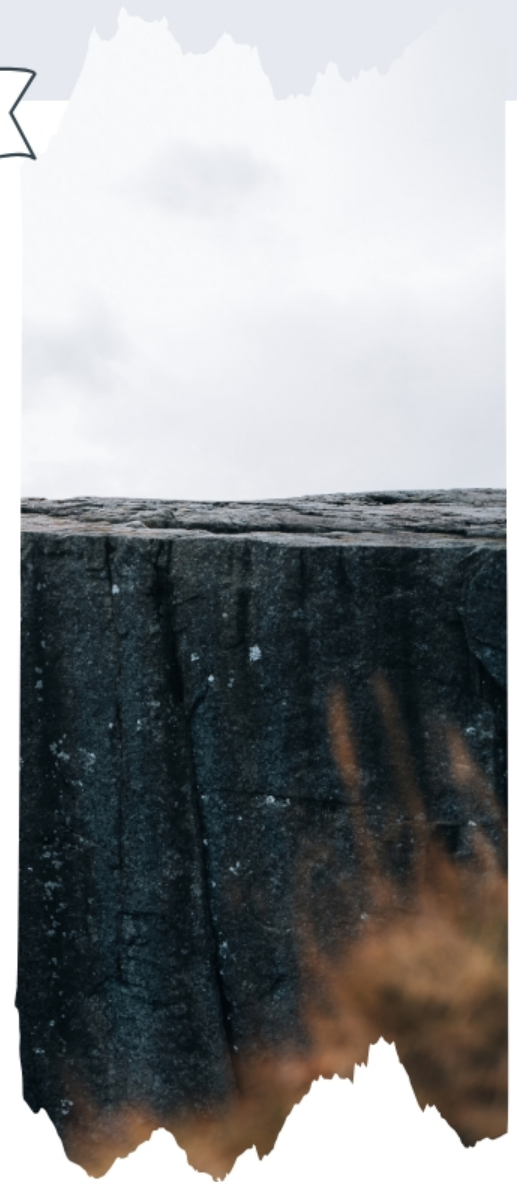
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the Son of God, so that
**you may know that
you have eternal life.**

1 John 5:13

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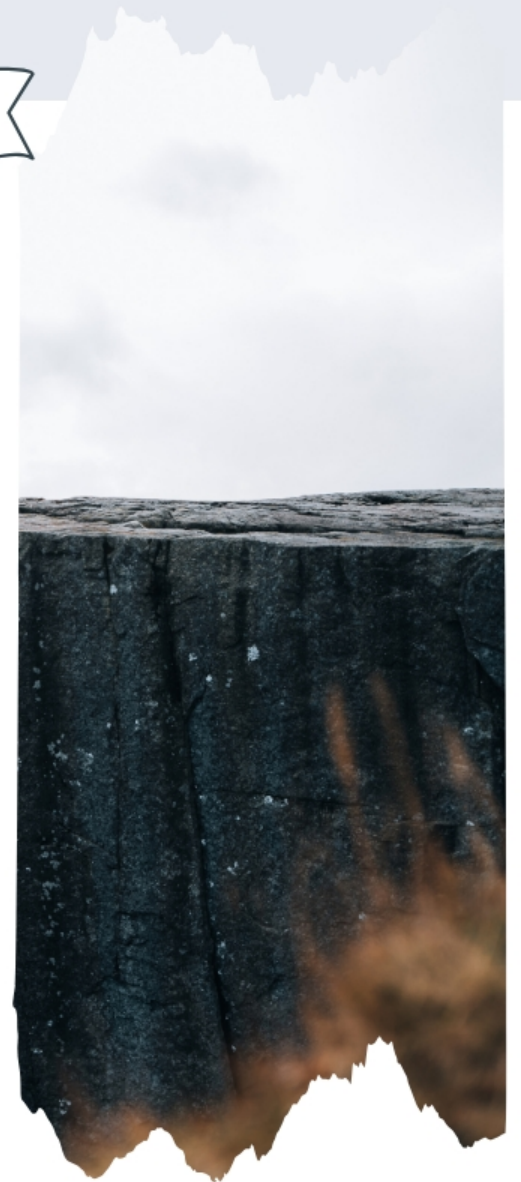


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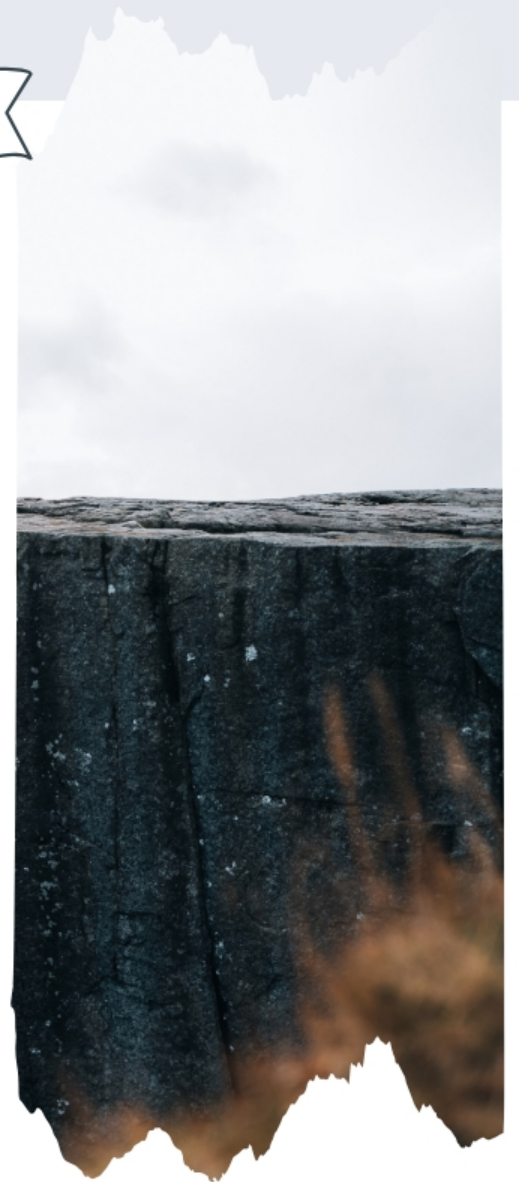


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For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not.

Romans 7:18 ”



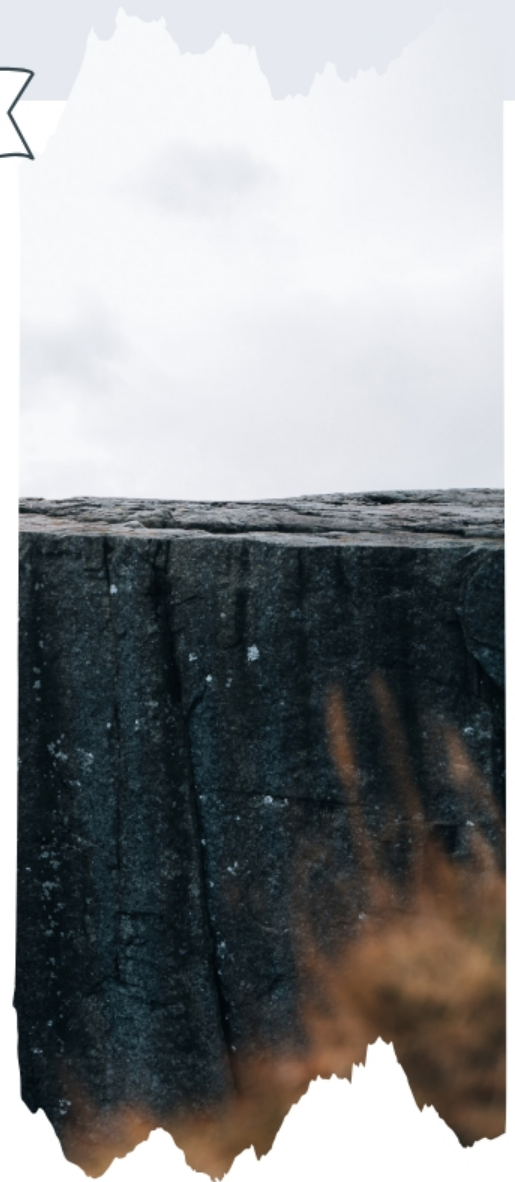
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The only thing that can
break the power of sin...
Is **DEATH**.

And that's not something
that has yet to be
accomplished.

That's a finished work!

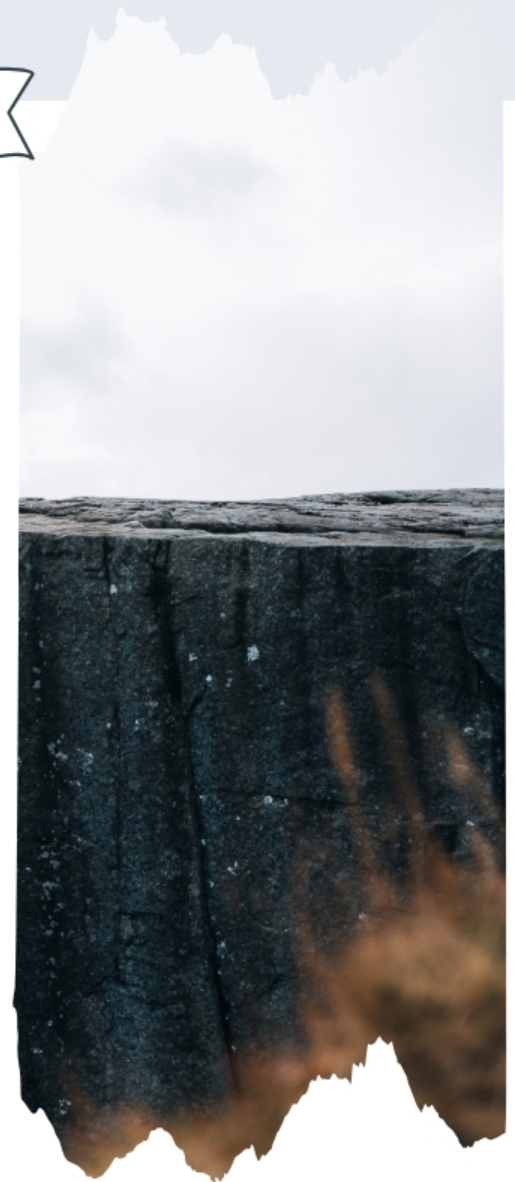


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The only way to “put to **death** the deeds of the body...”

Is to count on the fact that we are dead to it already!

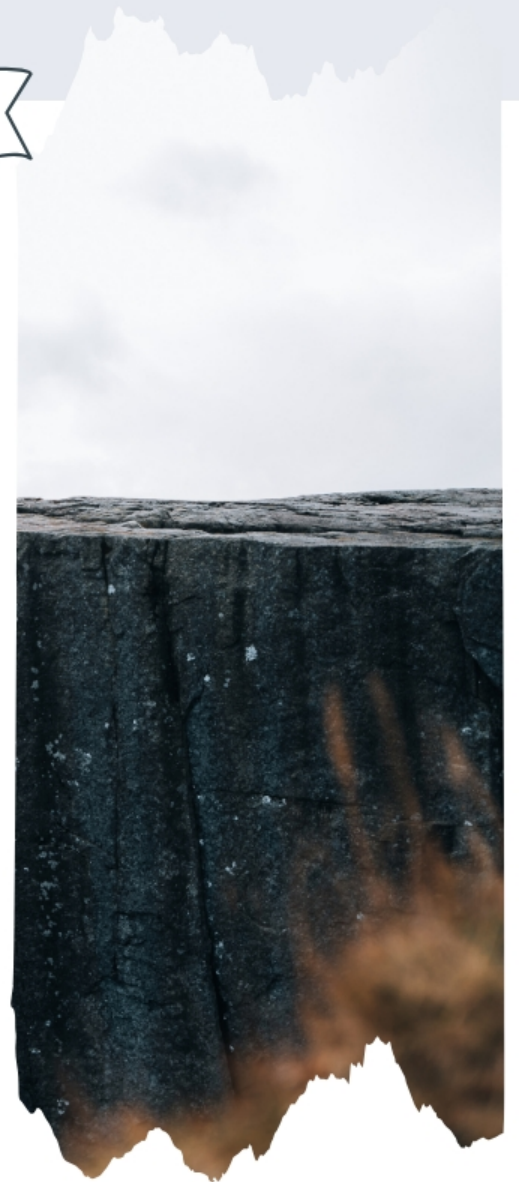


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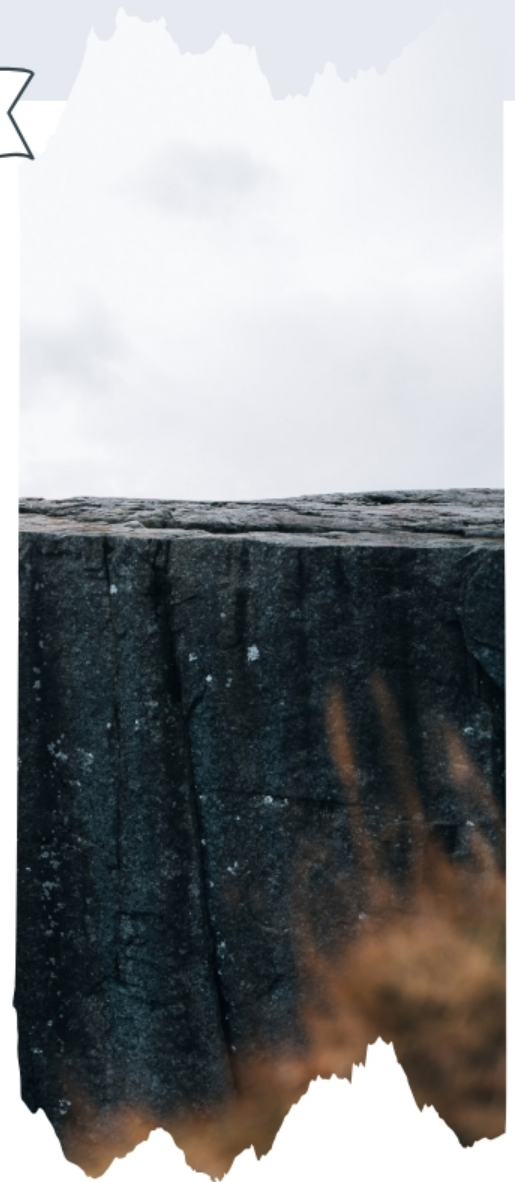
Romans 8:14 ”



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Romans 8:12-15

The fact that we are “sons of God...” means that we are **free** from our obligation to serve the flesh.



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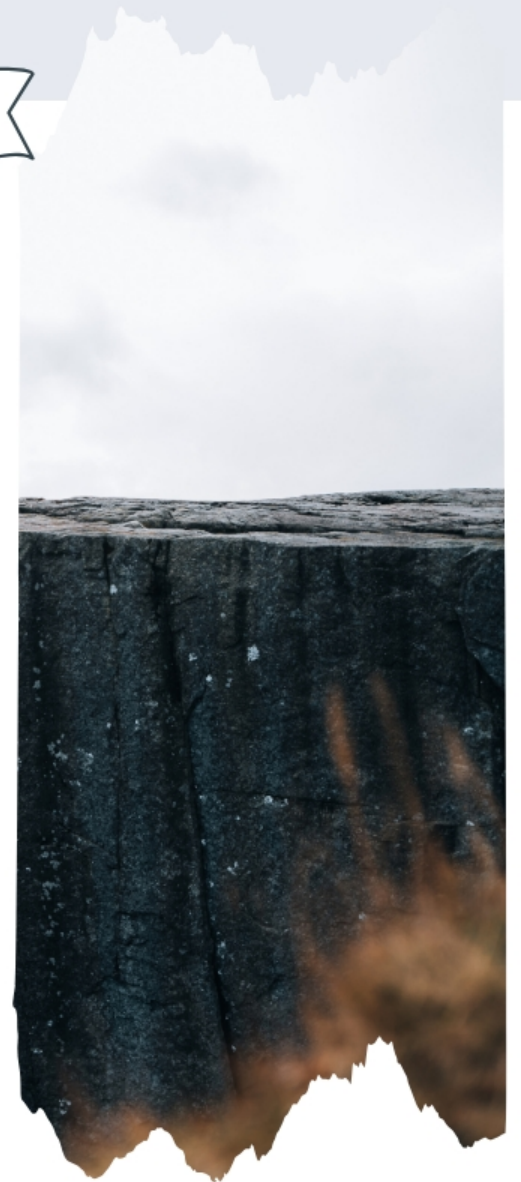


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Rather than having a spirit of fear, we have a standing before God that is the **same** as Jesus Himself!

Not because of what we are! But because we are identified with Jesus!



¹⁴ Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

¹⁵ and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

¹⁶ For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham.

¹⁷ Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

¹⁸ For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

Hebrews 2:14-18 [NASB]

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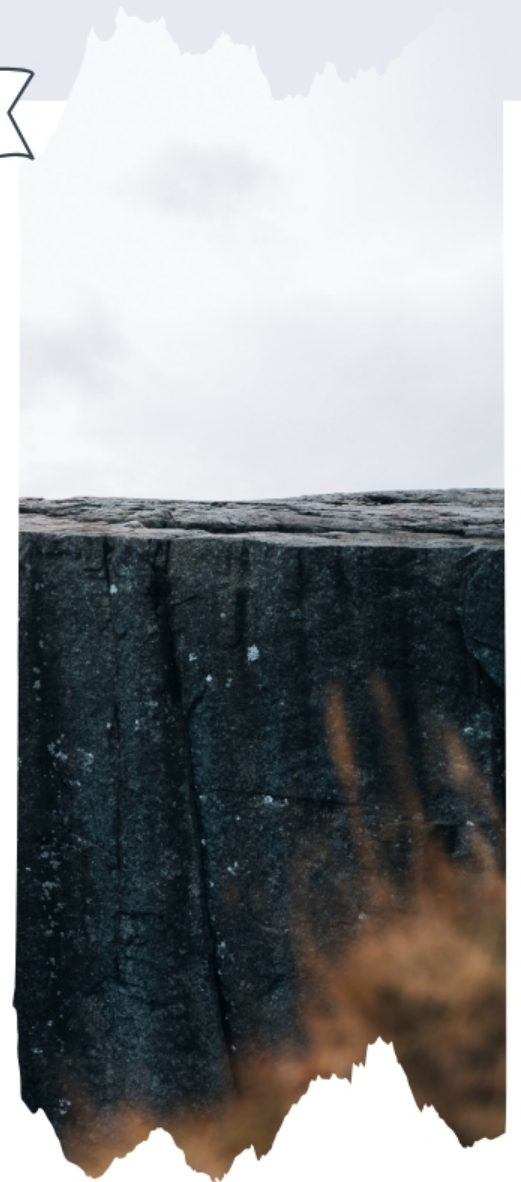
We don't approach God
as our **Judge**, but as our
Father!



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Romans 8:12-15

We can have a settled
attitude that whatever
our Father is taking us
through is for the **good!**





Romans 8:12-15

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[VERSE 13B]

We want to be really careful not to think of "putting to death the deeds of the body" as trying hard not to sin!

- That won't do **anything**
- This has everything to do with counting on the fact that we have **already died** to sin's power to reign in us.



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[VERSE 15]

- We have full legal rights as heirs of God through “adoption”
- Our standing before God is the same as that of the Lord Jesus.
- This gives us tremendous peace and rest as we encounter the trials that are necessary for our growth.



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