

## Rom 8:1-8 mws

v. 1

ἄρα

so then, consequently, cf. BDF§ 451,2 a marker of result as an inference from what has preceded.

κατάκριμα

punishment following legal sentence, doom – condemn someone “God has pronounced His sentence on sin in the flesh” – to judge someone as guilty and thus condemn to punishment

v.2

γάρ

expresses cause, inference, continuation or explanation of cause or reason, sometimes repeated to have one clause confirm the other – marker of cause or reason

ἐν Χριστῷ

in corporate union with Christ, to designate a close personal relation, ἐν as a marker of close personal association, in, one with, in union with, joined closely to

ἠλευθέρωσέν AAI3s fr. ἐλευθέρω

free, set free, with ref. to religious and moral matters, free from law of sin and death, release – no longer under domination

νόμου

rule, principle, norm that governs – “In general, Paul uses the expression...of the principle of action that obligates him to keep the moral law as ὁ νόμος του νοος μου” cf. 7:23, basic principles, governing power

ἁμαρτίας

in Paul, sin is almost always in personal terms – reigning as a principle with its law, paying its wages, dwelling in man, actions contrary to the will of God

θανάτου

of spiritual death to which everyone is subject unless he has been called to the life of grace, eternal death, in genitive relationship with νόμος law of sin and death see GS

v.3

ἀδύνατον

powerless, impotent, subst. what is impossible, incapable, not able, cf. BDF§ 263, 2, Rob 372

ἡσθένει IAI3sg fr. ἀσθενέω

be weak, powerless, of the law’s weakness, to be in the state of incapacity and weakness

## σαρκός

flesh as a willing instrument of sin, as is subject to sin to such a degree that wherever flesh is all forms of sin are present, and no good thing can live in the flesh. opp. to νοος, opp. to πνευμα, the psychological aspect of human nature which contrast with the spiritual nature; the aspect of human nature that is characterized by human reasoning and desires in contrast with those that relate to God, that factor in man that serves as a willing instrument to sin.

## ὁμοιώματι

likeness, form, image, copy – meaning is not clear when Paul speaks of Christ’s earthly life “to bring out both that Jesus in His earthly career was similar to sinful men and yet not absolutely like them.” similarity, likeness

## περὶ ἁμαρτίας

has the sense to take away, to atone for sin, used in OT for the sin offering

κατέκρινεν AAI3sg fr. κατεκρινω

see on κατακριμα above

## v.4

### δικαίωμα

regulation, requirement, commandment, requirements of the law

πληρωθῆ APS3s fr. πληρωω

fulfill, by deeds, an obligation, a law, to make complete or total

περιπατοῦσιν PAPtcpMPD fr. περιπατεω

walk, fig. of walk of life, live, conduct oneself, walk, always further defined by context – according to flesh, according to spirit, to live or behave in customary manner

### πνεῦμα

taken to be = to Holy Spirit of God, contrasted with σαρξ

## v.5

φρονοῦσιν PAI3pl fr. φρονημα

think, form or hold an opinion, set one’s mind on, be intent on, followed by acc. to have attitude, to think in a particular manner

## v.6

### φρόνημα

way of thinking mindset, aim, aspiration, striving outlook, thoughtful planning, “whole action of the affections and will as well as reason”

ζωή

life, opp. θανατος - supernatural life belonging to God and Christ, which the believers will receive in the future, but which they also enjoy here and now

ειρήνη

peace, nearly synonymous with messianic salvation wholeness – set of favorable circumstances incl. peace and tranquility

v.7

διότι

causal – in place of causal ὅτι, marker of cause or reason with focus on instrumentality, because of, on account of

ἔχθρα

enmity, being enemy of

ὑποτάσσεται PM/PI3sg fr. ὑποτασσω

subject, subordinate, subject oneself or be subjected, subordinated, to obey the will of God, the law, submit to orders or directives of someone

v. 8

ἄρέσαι AAInf fr. ἀρεσκω

please, be pleasing, of person pleasing God, cause someone to be pleased