

East Side Church of God

Life Notes

--heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. --Romans 8:17b (ESV)

Chosen to Choose: Debtor or Heir
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Text: Romans 8:12-17

Debt Relief #1: Moving from a life of debt to the flesh into a life as an heir of God requires putting to **death** the **internal** and **external** things of the flesh.

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. --Romans 8:12-13 (ESV)

Debt Relief #2: Moving from a life of debt to the flesh into a life as an heir of God moves us to **live** by the Spirit of God in a **relational freedom**.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" --Romans 8:14-15 (ESV)

Debt Relief #3: Moving from a life of debt to the flesh into a life as an heir of God allows us to be **led** by the Spirit of God into **intimacy** with **God**.

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs. --Romans 8:16-17a (ESV)

Debt Relief #4: Moving from a life of debt to the flesh into a life as an heir of God calls us to **suffer** with Jesus so that we may be **glorified** with Him.