

e. \_\_\_\_\_ (8:31-39)

What does this section teach us about the character and nature of God?

What promises can we take from this closing segment?

## Personal Reflection

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1. What did you learn about the Spirit of God in this study that you did not know before?
2. What practical changes do you need to make based on this study?

## Looking Ahead

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Next week's message will focus on 1 Corinthians 13. Take time to read the chapter and come prepared as we study how this passage helps us to understand the qualities that characterize a Follower of Jesus.

## Connecting Further

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Living versus Surviving  
Romans 8



# Life Group Study Notes

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Message from Sunday November 3, 2013  
Village Green Community Church  
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Study  
based on  
Romans  
8:1-39

## This Week's Message

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In this message we look at one of the key teaching passages on the Holy Spirit. Understanding the role of the third person of the Trinity helps us to discern the difference between living life in all its fullness as opposed to just surviving.

## Study

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Read Romans 8:1-39

1. Was there a key point from the message that you would like to discuss, or expand upon?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. For most believers, an understanding and awareness of God the Father, and Jesus Christ the Son, is easy and natural. But the Holy Spirit for many is somewhat a mystery. Why is this? Are there aspects of the Spirit that are difficult for you to understand?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Romans 8 is one of the most succinct passages for teaching the benefits that the Spirit of God brings in a believers life. The message summarized them in 5 key words. List them as given and discuss the benefits of each and answer any questions related to each section.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_(8:1-8)

In this section, what do we learn about the Law of Moses? What argument is given here about the nature of the Law and what it was unable to do?

In verses 5-8, what are the benefits of a "spirit-controlled life" versus a life controlled by the sinful nature?

b. \_\_\_\_\_(8:9-13)

How is the Resurrection of Jesus used in this section? How does this inform us about the present as well as the future we can anticipate as believers?

c. \_\_\_\_\_(8:14-17)

As believers, what is everything that we share in common with Christ as mentioned in this section?

d. \_\_\_\_\_(8:18-30)

What does this section teach concerning the relationship between sin and the creation?

How is suffering conveyed in this section? Why would suffering be part of the teaching here?