

Civil War Between Me, Myself and I

(Romans 7:14-25)

I. The Question of _____ is _____

MacArthur offers the following thoughts on v.14-25: "It is correct to understand Paul here to be speaking about a _____ because:"

- This person desires to _____ God and _____ his sin
- He _____ recognizes that nothing _____ dwells in him
- He sees _____ in himself, but not as all there is - v.22
- He serves _____ with his _____ - v.25
- Paul's use of _____ verbs strongly supports the idea that he is describing his life _____ as a _____.
- The personal pronoun "I" refers to the _____, a standard of spiritual _____.

"Paul must be describing all _____ - even the most _____ and _____ - who, when they honestly evaluate themselves against the righteous standard of God's Law, realize how far _____ they _____."

We do a disservice when we adopt either of 2 extremes:

- When we read this and say God is _____ with _____, or that being continuously _____ by _____ is normal.
- When we _____ to Christians by implying that some of us do not _____.

II. The Ongoing _____ With _____

Three things are clear from this text and from our lives:

- True Christians _____ God and His _____ - v.22
- True Christians _____ - v.15
- True Christians Still _____ with _____

Matthew 26:35 - Every Christian's _____ has proven that by themselves, even the strongest _____ do not _____ us from _____.

III. The _____ of _____ - v.24-25

Paul has implied three different natures are at work in every Christian:

- Your _____ nature in _____
- Your _____ nature - v.17, 20, 23
- The _____ of _____ - v.25

Verse 25 speaks of the _____ victory of the Christian when after his _____ he is given a new _____ body that is not _____ by sin.