

In Romans 8:5-11 Paul contrasts 2 groups of people to demonstrate what is required for those who would have the righteous requirement of the law fulfilled in them (8:4).

- I. Those who are according to the flesh cannot have the righteous requirement of the law fulfilled in them because:
  - A. They set their minds on the things of the flesh (v. 5a).
    - 1. They are dead (v. 6a).
    - 2. They are hostile to God (v. 7a).
    - 3. They are unable to submit to God's law (v. 7b, c).
    - 4. They cannot please God (v. 8).
  - B. They do not have the Holy Spirit so they do not belong to God (v. 9b).
- II. Those who are according to the Spirit have the righteous requirement of the law fulfilled in them because:
  - A. They set their minds on the things of the Spirit (v. 5b).
    - 1. They are alive (v. 6b).
    - 2. They are at peace (v. 6c).
  - B. They have the Holy Spirit dwelling in them (v. 9a).
    - 1. Though their bodies are dead because of sin the Spirit is alive because of righteousness (v. 10).
    - 2. The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead and dwells in them will raise their bodies from the dead (v. 11).