

“Doing What I Hate”

Romans 7:14-20

Introduction

1. What has Paul said in Romans 7:7-13?

- **The Law reveals sin (7:7).**
- **The Law provokes sin (7:8-9).**
- **The Law condemns sin (7:10-13).**
 - How can sin deceive us?
 - Is the problem in the law or in man? What caused Paul’s “death?”

2. A revisit to the morgue – How has Paul used the word death in Romans 6:1 – 7:13?

- Christ’s death (6:3,4,5,9,10)

- The believer's death (6:2,8,11,13)
- The sin nature pictured as dead (7:8)
- Sin made Paul realize his need for power (7:10,11).

3. To whom is Romans 7:14-25 referring?

- Unsaved man?
- Saved man (preferred) – Four reasons:

I. The Power of Sin (7:14-17)

- The picture of a slave
- The problem (v. 17)

II. The powerlessness of the saint (7:18-20)

Conclusion – So what does the Christian do?