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**Sermon – Romans – The biggest “But” statement yet**

**Scripture: Romans 8**

**Main Message – The week includes my favorite scripture along with the foundation that you can be at peace while you are walking alongside the Spirit of God even amongst calamity.**

IF anyone tells you that they understand fully and grasp the incredible depth of everything that is said in the book of Romans and are able to do it easily—*run away!* Even though we can read it and grasp what it says, we find it hard to fully incorporate in our daily lives the depth of how we should be living.

For example, do you have ever have fear? Are you uncertain about anything? Do you worry? The temptation is to say that this is just a normal human condition. I agree, it is normal, but for those who walk in the flesh more than the spirit. Fear and worry feed the desire of things that are carnal. What is carnal? It is things of the flesh. How do we not do that? By living in the Spirit. Our Spirit, through Christ is eternal. Our flesh is not.

Chapter 8 will reinforce this understanding. We are encased in the flesh, therefore we will suffer. Doesn't seem fair? Well, is it fair that God had to send his son to carry our sins to the grave? So get over it and realize that the sufferings now, as great as they may seem, aren't even able to taint the smallest amount of eternal glory that will be ours in the future – another thing that we cannot even grasp.

And the last two verses, my favorite scripture in the Bible, puts to bed any doubt about God's love and the depth of it.