

# Maturing in the New Life

Week 16 Worksheet

I-Powered

**Passages to Read:** 2 Chr 14 (dependent) 16 (Self sufficient) Psa. 62

## Study Questions

1. What are the evidences presented that Rom. 7:14-25 is describing a believer and not an unbeliever?
2. What does it mean to be “I-powered?” (Rom. 7:14-25)
3. Are you more often I-powered or Spirit-powered? Can you tell the difference when you are operating in either? (7:14-8:11)
4. In what ways is the Law spiritual? (Rom. 7:14)
5. What were some of the characteristics of carnality in 1 Cor. 3:1,3?
6. Why would God in the days of Noah not always strive with man? (Gen. 6:3)
7. How are you sold into bondage to sin as a believer? (Rom. 7:14)
8. Is the flesh any different now after believing then before? So should you not expect it to enslave you in similar fashion as in the past? (Rom. 7:14)
9. How is Rom. 7:15 a description of the slavery he was talking about?
10. What are the 3 different words Paul uses for actions in v. 15? (Rom. 7:15)
11. What does it mean that Paul did not understand that “which I am doing?” (Rom. 7:15)
12. How can you do the very thing you hate? (Rom. 7:15)
13. Can desire or determination alone give you enough power to overcome sin? Why or why not? (Rom. 7:15,19,20)
14. Can you confess that the law is good and at the same time not do it? (Rom. 7:16)
15. Would you more likely be honest to admit that you don’t do the things in the law or change the meaning of the law to accommodate your inability to overcome sinning? (Rom. 7:16; Psa. 119:127-128)
16. If you hate a sin enough will that give you an ability to stop the evil action? (Rom. 7:16)
17. Is Paul trying to excuse himself of responsibility or does he mean something different? (Rom. 7:17)
18. What does it mean that there is nothing good dwelling in you? (Rom. 7:18)
19. Describe the flesh? (Rom. 7:18)
20. How can the wishing to overcome sin be present but not the doing of it? If you are just to obey why can’t you just do it? Is there some missing element necessary that must be present to go from a desire to obey to the actions of obedience?
21. How is the wishing of Rom. 7 different from the desires in Gal. 5:17?
22. What two elements distinguish I-power and Spirit-powered? (Gal. 2:16-20)
23. What role does faith play in the overcoming of my self-centered wanting? (Gal. 2:20)

**Key Verse:** Isa. 55:8,9

**Prayer Focus:** Rom. 14:23 Ask Him what type of actions are not of faith.