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Θεοῦ Υἱός Σωτήρ

*Iēsoûs Khrīstós,
Theoû Huiós,
Sōtér*

Jesus Christ,
Son of God,
Saviour

Romans 12: 14-21



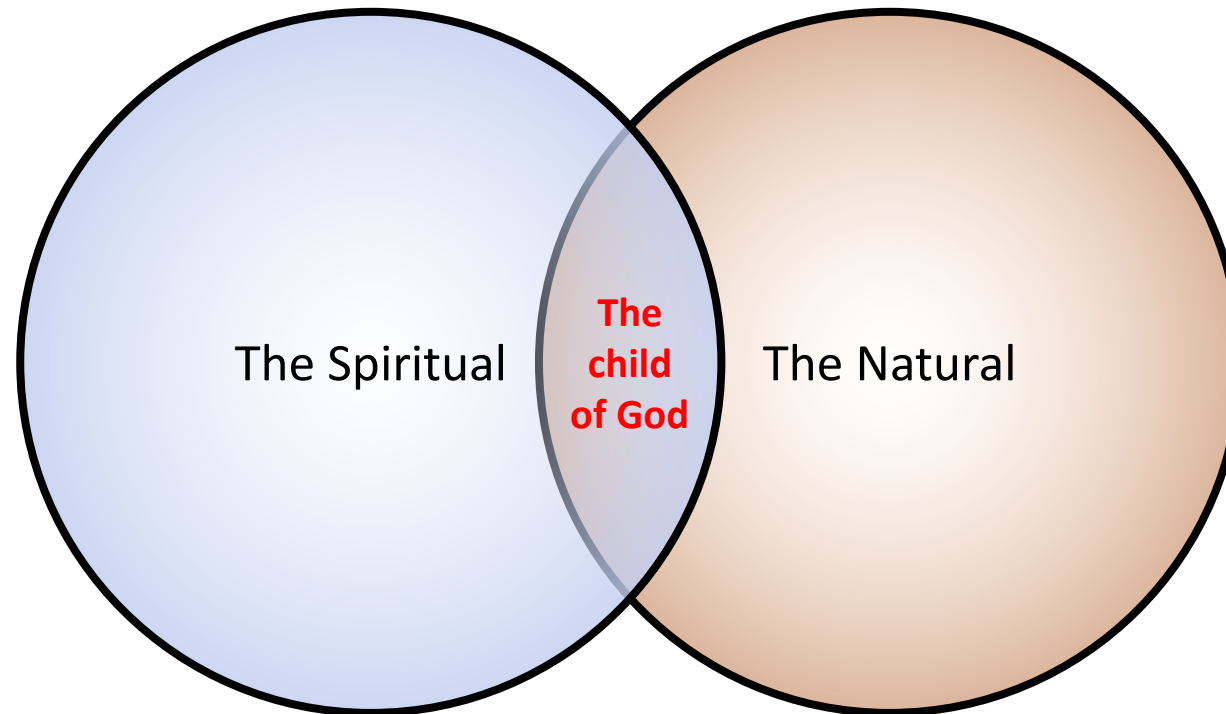
The key to all that follows:

... a living sacrifice ...

... transformed by the renewing of your mind...

(Romans 12:1-2)

The uniqueness of the child of God



If we **live** in the Spirit, let us also **walk** in the Spirit.

(Galatians 5:25)

Romans 12

Verse 1 – 2 The **key** to a Christian walk



Verse 3 – 8 **Many** members with **different** gifts in **one** body

Verse 9 – 13 The **heart** of the children of God

Verse 14 – 21 The **walk** of the children of God

Verse 14

Bless those who persecute you ...

1. What does this mean?

- Seek their good, not harm

2. Why do we bless?

- Matthew 18:21-35
- Matthew 7:1-5

3. Who can bless?

- One who rests in truth
- One whose repentance is real
- One who rejoices in hope

Verse 15

Rejoice with those who rejoice ...



Set free

Verse 16

Be of the same mind toward one another ...

➤ **Romans 12:3**

➤ **Romans 15:5**

- How?
- What?
- Why?

Verse 17 Repay no one evil for evil ...



Which one is the Christian?

Verse 18 If it is possible ... live peaceably ...

A soft answer turns away wrath,
But a harsh word stirs up anger.

(Proverbs 15:1)

Verse 19

Do not avenge yourselves ...

➤ **Only God can judge justly**

➤ **Coals of fire?**

- “... And the LORD will reward you.” (Proverbs 25:22)
- “Do not be overcome by evil ...” (Romans 12:21)

Verse 21 Do not be overcome by evil ...

The way of righteousness

- This is the transformation
- This is being a disciple of the Lord Jesus
- This is the only irrefutable witness

The heart and walk of a disciple of Christ

Let love be
without
hypocrisy

Abhor what is evil.
Cling to what is good.

Fervent in spirit,
serving the Lord.

Patient in tribulation,
continuing steadfastly in prayer

Bless those
who persecute you.

Do not be wise
in your own opinion.

Live peaceably with all men.

Overcome
evil
with good