

## **Bible Study for May 24-30, 2021**

### **Read: Romans 8:12-17**

#### **Notes:**

On May 30 we celebrate Trinity Sunday. When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe; that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity; the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

#### **Questions to Ponder:**

What have you inherited from your parents or grandparents? What do you expect to pass on to your kin?

Since we are not set right with God by doing good works, what is the motive for changing our lives?

How are we to deal with our sinful nature? (see verses 13-14) What mindset should we have?

What does it mean to you that you are not God's slave, but his child?

When unhealthy thoughts enter your mind, what have you found most useful in dealing with them?

Give an example from your life of being dependent on the Spirit as you worked to "put to death" an area of sin.