

In the Spirit or In the Flesh

THE TWO SPIRITUAL ADDRESSES OF ALL MANKIND

NOTE: TO SEE FULL CHART HOLD PHONE SIDEWAYS

YOU ARE EITHER
IN THE FLESH or
IN THE SPIRIT

Two "Addresses"	
In the flesh (Ro 8:8+)	In the Spirit (Ro 8:9+)
Two Controlling Forces	
Dominated (controlled) by the Flesh "according to the flesh" (Ro 8:5+)	Dominated (controlled) by the Spirit "according to the Spirit" (Ro 8:5+)
Two Spiritual Conditions	
He does not belong to Him (Ro 8:9+)	He belongs to Christ (He is a believer in Christ)
Two Conceptions	
(All mankind belongs to one of two families)	
In Adam (1Cor 15:22+) Born of flesh (John.3:6+) (All men by natural birth are born in Adam, Ro 5:12+)	In Christ (1Cor 15:22+) Born of Spirit (John 3:5-6+) (Believers are now in Christ by virtue of the new birth)
Two Controlling Mind Sets	
Sets mind on the things of the flesh (Ro 8:5-7+)	Sets his mind on the things of the Spirit (Ro 8:5+, Col 3:1-2+)
Present Condition	
Death (Ro 8:6+) (Having no relationship with God) Cannot please God (Ro 8:8+)	Life and Peace (Ro 8:6+) Life in a dead world Peace in a troubled world
Future Condition	

Eternal Death (Ro 8:13a+ cf Gal 5:19-21 ⁺)	Resurrection life (Ro 8:11+; Ro 8:13b+)
Present Possession	
He does not have the Spirit (Ro 8:9+)	He has the Spirit (Ro 8:9+)
Two Relationships to God's Law	
Lawless A rebel who cannot even submit (Ro 8:7+)	The law is fulfilled in the Spirit-controlled person (Ro 8:4+)
Two Relationships to God	
An enemy (Ro 8:7+ cf Ro 5:10 ⁺)	A son (Ro 8:14 ⁺)
Two Guides	
No supernatural guidance (Ro 8:14+)	Led by the Spirit (Ro 8:14+)
Two Obligations	
<p>To live after the flesh (Ro 8:12+). The unregenerate person simply has no other choice because "That which is born of the flesh is flesh" (Jn 3:36+). The unsaved person is "in the flesh", in total bondage to indwelling Sin and thus can only live dominated by the power of the Sin nature inherited from Adam (Ro 8:7+). This person can live only to fulfill the lusts of the sinful flesh nature.</p>	<p>To mortify (put to death) the deeds of the body (Ro 8:13a+). Positionally this has already been done (Gal 5:24+, Ro 6:6+) but Practically (Experientially) this needs to be done continually by faith (Col 3:5+; Ro 6:11+) considering oneself dead to the ruling power of Sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. (cf Ro 6:11+, Ro 6:12-14+)</p>

Dear reader... the striking contrasts in this simple table beg the question...

- Which column are you in?
- I pray God by His Spirit and Word has drawn you and reborn you, taking you out of Adam and placing you into Christ. Amen

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