

THE AGONY OF DEFEAT **ROMANS 7:15-25**

A. An honest confession of irrational behavior (7:15-20)

1. The confession of reality (15)
 - a. What you want to do you do _____
 - b. What you hate, that's _____

2. The conclusions drawn (16-18)
 - a. The law is _____
 - b. The sin nature is the _____ of your sinful actions
 - c. No _____ thing dwells in your flesh/sin nature
 - (1) You have _____
 - (2) You do not have _____ to fulfill them

3. The situation is restated to heighten the sense of _____ (19-20)

B. The battle that always ends in defeat (7:21-23)

1. At salvation, you received a new divine nature
 - a. It gives you _____ to do good
 - b. It _____ in the law of God

2. But you still have the presence of evil within you: _____
 - a. It actively _____ and _____ your godly desires
 - b. It brings you into _____ as a _____ to the law of the sin nature
 - * What is the law of sin?

C. The desperate cry for help (7:24)

1. Another honest confession
 - a. I am _____
 - b. I am _____
 - c. I am _____

2. Who will set you free?

* Are you doomed to this status for the rest of your physical life?

D. Paul's immediate relief (7:25)

1. The answer is found in _____
2. The summary assessment
 - a. With the _____ you serve the law of God
 - b. With the _____ you serve the law of the sin nature

The word "I" is found _____ in this passage, while the word " _____ " is found

_____ In Romans 8 the word " _____ " is found _____ in the first 16 verses.