**SCC SMALL GROUP STUDY**

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**Our Biggest Battle**

**Romans 7:15-25**

**Getting Started:**

1. During your teen years, what was your biggest struggle?

* How have you handled this struggle since?

 2. What was your "greatest" inner growth change in your formative years?

**Searching the Scriptures:**

1. What is the significance of the shift in pronouns from 7:1-6 and this section?

* How does Paul's example in verses 7-11 illustrate what he meant in verse 5?
* Give an example of this in your life.

 2. How is it that the law which was supposed to lead to life actually leads to death?

* How do verses 14-20 answer this question?

 3. Prior to Paul's conversion, how must he have felt about the inner turmoil described

 here?

* Read Philippians 3:4-6. How did Paul try to deal with it then?
* What has he found in Christ?

 4. Why do you think God's law was given for us to follow:

* A means to follow in order to be saved?
* A guide to follow once we are saved by grace?
* A stumbling block, impossible to follow, which only points the sinner to God's grace?
* How do verses 10, 12, & 22 support your answer?

 5. Now read the "declaration" in Romans 8:1-4!

**Application of the Scriptures:**

1. In light of your own struggles with sin, how do you feel reading about Paul's

 inner conflict?

* To you, how is this a model for a healthy, realistic self-image?

 2. If you were comparing your spiritual life to a football game, what would the score

 be?

* What quarter is it?
* Are you now on offense or defense?
* What is your game plan?
* How does knowing Christ make a difference?

 3. When have you experienced the sense of Jesus rescuing you from sin or situations

 that were way too big for you to handle?

* How does Jesus help you now?