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| Romans  8: 1-11  Selection B5 | **A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans**  **Brothers and Sisters:**  **Hence, now there is no condemnation**  **for those who are in Christ Jesus.**  **For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus**  **has freed you from the law of sin and death.**  **For what the law, weakened by the flesh,**  **was powerless to do, this God has done:**  **by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh**  **and for the sake of sin, he condemned sin**  **in the flesh, so that the righteous decree of the law**  **might be fulfilled in us, who live**  **not according to the flesh but according to the spirit.**  **For those who live according to the flesh**  **are concerned with the things of the flesh,**  **but those who live according to the spirit**  **with the things of the spirit.**  **The concern of the flesh is death,**  **but the concern of the spirit is life and peace.**  **For the concern of the flesh is hostility toward God;**  **it does not submit to the law of God, nor can it;**  **and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.**  ***Continued on the Next Page***  **But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary,**  **you are in the spirit,**  **if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.**  **Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ**  **does not belong to him.**  **But if Christ is in you,**  **although the body is dead because of sin,**  **the spirit is alive because of righteousness.**  **If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead**  **dwells in you,**  **the one who raised Christ from the dead**  **will give life to your mortal bodies also,**  **through his Spirit that dwells in you.**  **The Word of the Lord** |