**2/2/25 Sin Explains it All! Romans 7:14-25**

* The Word of God provides the answers to every situation that we might face.
* Our actions are rooted in what is in our heart.
* Whatever man you feed the most becomes the strong man in your life.
* A true Christian should always show love and compassion to others.

**Jeremiah 17:9; John 10:10; Matthew 22:37-40**

1. **Sacrifices must be made!**
* Choosing between the old and new life makes the difference.
* A battle between our two natures happens on a daily basis.
* Jesus came to fulfill the law and prophets.
* We must not allow our bodies to become tools of wickedness to be used for sin.

**Romans 3:10, 6:12-16, 7:14,8:1;Matthew 5:17-18;**

1. **Self-evaluation must follow!**
* Sometimes we know what we need to do, but we just don’t do it.
* We try to do right, but frequently it keeps coming out wrong.
* These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

**Romans 7:15-19; Galatians 5:17**

1. **We must identify the root cause of the problem.**
* We must come to the realization that when we keep doing what we don’t want to do, it is the sin within us leading us to do it.
* When I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong.
* There is a battle within us, between the spirit and the flesh.

**Romans 7:20-25**

**Upcoming Events**

Black History Recognition, February 9, Speaker Minister Edward Booker. Please wear black history attire if you would like.

St. James Baptist Church, 104 Wisenbaker Lane, Tuesday, February 18th, 7 PM. Pastor Adams will be preaching, the deacons are needed to lead devotion, the choir to sing, and ushers to serve.

Wear red February 23rd in recognition of heart awareness.

Sis. Danielle Moore’s Graduation Celebration! Saturday, February 8th 3-5 PM in the Church Annex. Please RSVP to Sis. Gracie Bacon as soon as possible!

The food pantry will be opened Thursday, February 27 from 3-5 PM.

The SGMBA Zoom Christian Leadership School, **Survey of Romans,** Instructor: Min. Joyce Rainge, March 3-7; **Introduction to Discipleship**, Instructor Pastor Ronald Wrice, Thursdays only, March 27-April 24th, **Experiencing God, Part 2**, Instructor Sis. Michelle Adams, March 17th, 18th, and 20th. All classes are from 6-8 PM nightly. Registration closes February 19th.

Homestead Exemption Meeting, 327 North Ashley Street (Courthouse) February 10 at 9 AM, February 11, at 6 PM, or February 24 at 9 AM in the Board of Commissioners Chambers.

**Thought for the Week**: In the highs and lows of life, God is for us and promises to work everything together for our good and His glory for those who love Him.