

# Pronounced Not Guilty

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*Romans 8:1*

Main Entry: **con-demn** Pronunciation: \kən-'dem\ Function: *transitive verb*

Etymology: Middle English, from Anglo-French *condempner*, from Latin *condemnare*, from *com-* + *damnare* to condemn — more at [DAMN](#) Date: 14th century

**1:** to declare to be reprehensible, wrong, or evil usually after weighing evidence and without reservation <a policy widely *condemned* as racist>**2 a:** to pronounce guilty : [CONVICT](#) **b:** [SENTENCE](#), [DOOM](#) <*condemn* a prisoner to die>**3:** to adjudge unfit for use or consumption <*condemn* an old apartment building>

Not feeling adequate to serve God? Past sins got you down? Feeling shackled by your thoughts and premonitions

## **Romans 8:1**

Verse 1

- As a born again saint, at this *present time* there is nothing that condemns you as you are in Christ Jesus.
- Special note to present time...the right now moment. Not referring to the past or that which is to come. But right now.
- No condemnation is made possible for those who walk not after the flesh. For those who do not make every decision in life on their own but allowing God to guide each of our steps.
- You maintain your innocence by following the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

It becomes less difficult to serve, praise and honor God when not carrying the weight of guilt on your shoulders. You are free to serve God as it was Christ who redeemed all of our sins by His death at Calvary.

Past memories of sins creep into our thoughts...we can choose to allow them to condemn us or simply serve as a reminder of the former self that you wish not to ever revisit. A reminder of where the Lord has brought you from.

Through the repenting of your sins, acceptance and belief in Christ's birth, death, resurrection and ascension, you are a new creature...you have rid yourself (through the blood of Christ) of that old person.

We must remember to keep God first in all that we do. It is so easy to fall prey to the trappings of this life. It is so easy to accept religion as salvation principles and water down the true gift of life received through the hope and faith. For it was by grace through faith that we received our salvation.

The verdict was given on the cross, YOU ARE NOT GUILTY. We *were* guilty until reconciled to innocence. World's view: innocent until proven guilty. God's view: guilty until reconciled to innocence.