

**The Struggle :: admitting your inability before God**  
**Romans 7:13-25**  
**Freedom, 5**  
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**The law is good because it is a mirror.** verses 13  
*"so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful"*

**We are powerless in dealing with sin.** verses 14-20  
*"but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin"*

1. **It is confusing.** v. 14-17  
*"I do not understand"*

**Pride is dismantled.**

2. **It is defeating.** verses 18-20  
*"I can not carry it out"*

**Strength is dismantled.**

**An environment of growth flows from admitting our inability.** v. 21-24a  
*"when I want to do good, evil is right there with me"*

**Humility is embraced.**

**Christ alone is our rescue.** v. 24b-25  
*"who will rescue me from this body of death?"*

**Weakness is embraced.**

**Application:**

What truth do you need to embrace in order to live humbly?

**Quotes:**

"The great tragedy of our age is the fact, if one may dare to say it, that there are so many godless Christians – Christians, that is, whose religion is a matter of mere conformism and expediency." Thomas Merton

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