

Many believers constantly focus on their personal faults, weaknesses and shortcomings. They are always critical of themselves. That 'recording' of all the things wrong with them keeps playing in their mind: "You are impatient. You blew your diet. You should be ashamed of yourself." etc. They wonder why they are not happy, not realizing they have an inner war going on. It is very freeing when you can be happy with who you are, even though you have some areas in which you still need to improve. After all, every one of us is a work in progress.

Think about what the apostle Paul said in today's Scripture. Even he still struggled in some areas. If he had been negative about himself all the time, he would have never written almost half the books of the New Testament, and become one of the heroes of faith. You don't have to have it all together for God to use you powerfully. Remember, if you are waiting until you overcome every flaw and perform perfectly, you will be waiting your whole life.

Romans 7:19 "...I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway..."