

Shepherding the Hearts of Children

Helping Our Children Mature Spiritually

Romans Teaches the Battle of Natures

- 1. God revealed Himself, but we have a choice to worship God or ourselves**
- 2. Moral Nature vs. Selfish Nature**
- 3. We all sin**
- 4. Call to Faith to Overcome Sin**
- 5. Inherited Sinful Nature (Flesh) and Sinful Practices finds forgiveness in grace through faith**

Midbrain

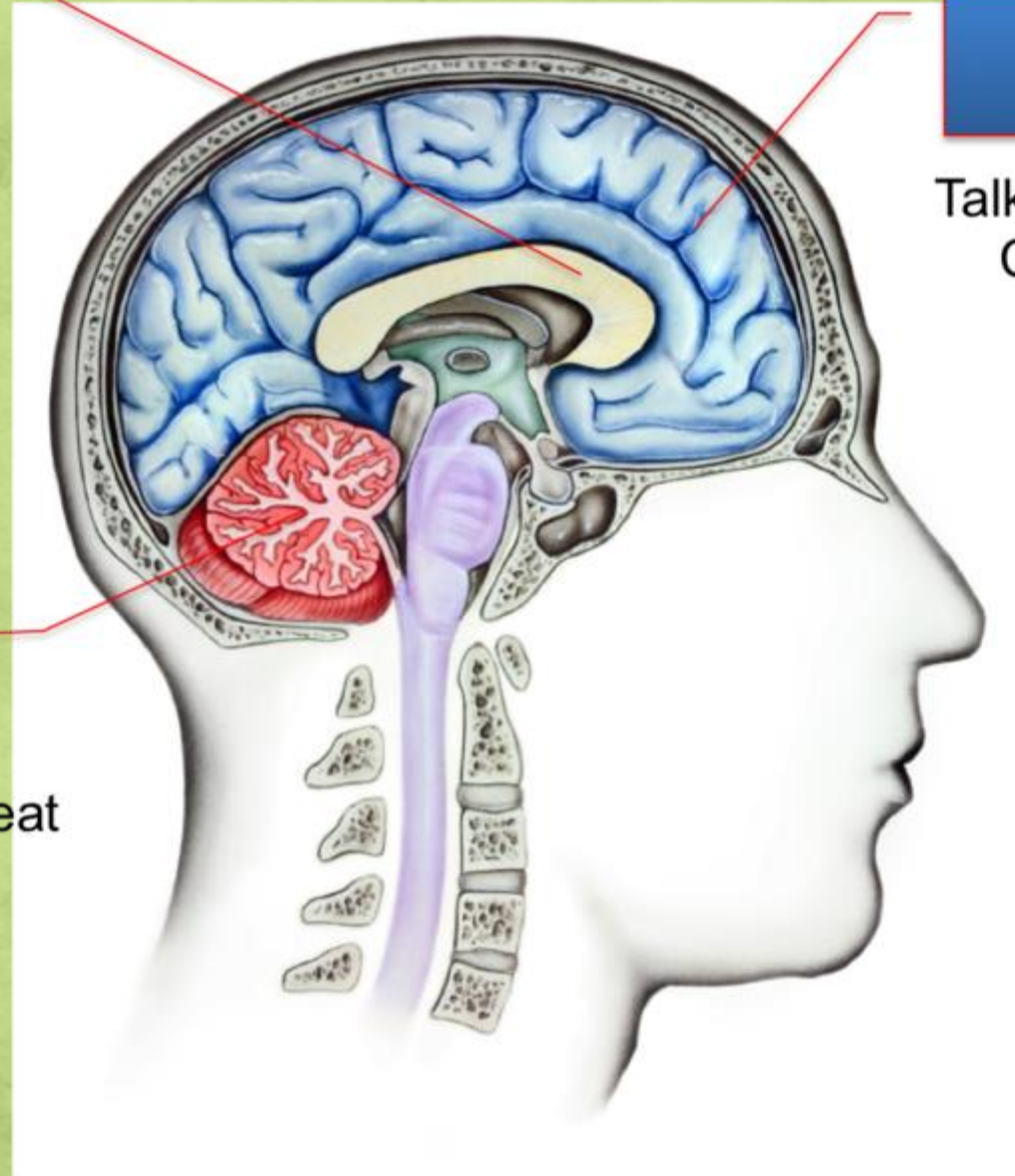
Feel – Remember
Interact with others

Neocortex

Talk – Think – Move
Create - Learn

Reptilian Brain

Survive – React – Repeat
Repeat-Repeat



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6. Obedient Faith Frees One from Sin's Dominance and Being an Instrument of Satan to become Instrument of God for Righteousness
7. Without God's Help we are trapped in Sinful Nature
8. Holy Spirit will lead us to victory over the Sinful Nature

When is a child old enough to be baptized?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vDLbka_5awQ
"Beneath the Waters (I Will Rise)" Hillsong Worship

- After watching this video song, discuss the following questions about baptism with the help of Romans 6:
 1. How is baptism connected to Jesus' death, burial and resurrection?
 2. What prepositions did you hear in this song (compare to Rom. 6)
 3. What emotions did you see demonstrated?

Spiritual Maturity by Developing these Concepts in Your Child's Heart

1. God – aware, seek, worship
2. Morality – strong sense of right and wrong
3. Sin – we all sin, and we should make right choices
4. Faith – personal sense of desire for relationship with Lord
5. Grace – forgiveness given in relationship
6. Obedience – driven by sense of relationship
7. Freedom – breaking the chain of sinful nature
8. Spirit – to live under the control of the Holy Spirit