PAULINE CHRISTOLOGY III
CHRIST OUR STRENGTH

MASTERY OF OUR PASSIONS THROUGH CHRIST

- TEACHING OF ST. PAUL (ROMANS 7:14-17)
  - "I AM UNSPIRITUAL"
  - "I FAIL TO CARRY OUT THE THINGS I WANT TO DO"
  - "I ACT AGAINST MY OWN WILL"
  - "SIN LIVING IN ME"
  - "MY BODY BATTLES AGAINST THE LAW"
  - "A PRISONER OF THAT LAW OF SIN"
  - "WHAT A WRETCHED MAN I AM"
  - "WHO WILL RESCUE ME?"
- ANALYSIS
  - THE UNIVERSAL FACT
    - DESIRES AND ACTIONS
    - URGES AND REASON
    - CONFLICT
      - WITHIN PEOPLE
      - BETWEEN PEOPLE
    - WORLD LITERATURE
  - THE EXPLANATION
    - UNLIKE REST OF CREATION
    - ORIGINAL SIN
      - DISOBEDIENCE
      - CONCUPISCENCE
    - JUSTIFICATION RESTORES DIVINE FRIENDSHIP
    - CONFLICT REMAINS, AGGRAVATED BY
      - PERSONAL SINS
      - HABITS OF SIN
      - BAD EXAMPLE
      - EVIL SPIRIT
  - SELF-MASTERY
    - OF THE NATURAL SELF
    - IMPOSSIBLE BY THE NATURAL SELF
  - QUESTIONS
    - (1) GRADUAL DELIVERANCE FROM PASSION?
    - (2) PASSIONS OF FLESH ONLY?
    - (3) HOW DOES CHRIST ENABLE US TO MASTER OUR PASSIONS?