

Inspirable Devotion

THE EAGLE AND THE HIPPO

ROMANS 7:22-23

Carl Sandburg said, "There is an eagle in me that wants to soar, and there is a hippopotamus in me that wants to wallow in the mud."

He may not have known it, but he was describing the life of every believer in Jesus Christ. It's our dual nature, as Paul described in Romans 7:22-23. *"I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another law at work in me that is at war with my mind. This law wins the fight and makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me."*

Everyday you have to choose: Will you live according to the new nature or the old? Will you soar with the eagles or wallow in the mud? Your decision determines everything -- how you greet your day, what you think about, how you talk to (or talk about) your co-workers, how you spend your spare change, and how you spend your spare time.

Every day, and every moment of every day, you have the power to choose your environment: the clear blue sky or the local hippo hangout. You've got a key to both places, and access is unrestricted -- it just depends on where you prefer to be.

Remember today that God is calling you upward.