

Ivy Baptist Church
Wednesday Bible Study
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The Book of Romans Part 11 (Romans 6:1-14)

Summary of Romans 1-4

- **Romans 1: The gospel of Jesus Christ**
- Justification by faith introduced.
- **Romans 2: No favoritism with God**
- The Jews have no advantage with God!
- **Romans 3: All are guilty before God**
- No one has the right to boast in God because of obedience to the Law, because NO ONE is capable of obeying all of God's laws (sin).
- **Romans 4: Justification by faith, an Old Testament concept**
- Abraham and David were declared righteous with God, because of their FAITH, not because of their deeds.

Summary of Romans 5:

- **Paul answers the question: What are the benefits of being saved or in the right position with God through Jesus Christ?**
- 1. We have PEACE with God (vs. 1)
- 2. We have ACCESS to God's grace (vs. 2)
- 3. My trials have new PURPOSE (vs. 3-5)
- 4. We begin to APPRECIATE the love of God! (vs. 6-8)
- 5. We are SPARED the full WRATH of God (vs. 9)
- 6. We are RECONCILED back to God (vs. 10)
- 7. Through the actions of ONE man (Adam) we were DOOMED (sin), but through the actions of another man (Christ) we were DELIVERED (grace)! (vs. 12-21). Key verse Romans 5:20

Today's Lesson: Romans 6:1-14

- Paul's argument in Romans 6: "Now that you know the benefits of being saved, MOVE AWAY FROM SIN."
- In other words, LIVE according the _____ that has been given to you by Jesus Christ!
- **What is sin?**
- The Greek term for sin (Hamartia) means "to fall _____" of God's will, either by thoughts, words or actions. (Romans 3:23).
- **Is it possible for a Christian to live a life free from sin while on Earth?**
- Paul's argument in Romans 6 is for Christians to live a life as _____ free of sin as possible. How?
- **Romans 6:1:** Rhetorical Question: Shall we (Christians) continue to sin so that God's grace may become more evident?
- **Romans 6:2:** _____
- **Key Point:** Paul says in verse 2 that Christians are _____ to sin.
- **What does it mean to die?**
- Death in the bible is linked to _____.
- Paul said believers are _____ from sin and should REMAIN that way!

How are believers “dead to sin?”

- Through _____ and through the act of baptism!
- Two types of baptism: _____ and physical
- **Verses 3-7, 5 Key points:**
- 1. Baptism represents a “type” of _____ for the believer as it connects us with the death of Christ (vs. 3)
- 2. As Christ rose from the dead with “new life,” so should believers _____ being “spiritually” baptized. (vs. 4)
- 3. If we connect ourselves to Christ’s death, we must also connect ourselves to His _____! (vs. 5)
- 4. **IMPORTANT: IF OUR “OLD SELVES” WAS BURIED IN BAPTISM AND IT WAS “DESTROYED” WE SHOULD NO LONGER SERVE SIN!** (verse 6)
- 5. Whatever is DEAD is _____ from sin! It has been SEPARATED FROM US! This is the death from the _____ of sin, not that sin no longer exists. (vs. 7)

Romans 6:1-7 Summary:

- Romans 6:1-7 focuses on the “death” or SEPARATION of sin from the believer as illustrated through the act of baptism.
- Romans 6:8-14, focuses on the RESURRECTION or NEW LIFE of the believer as illustrated through the act of baptism and Jesus being raised from the dead.

Romans 6:8-11: Why was it necessary for Jesus to be raised from the dead?

- 1. The Christian’s identity is connected to Christ’s. (vs. 8) (He died and was raised, so will His followers!)
- 2. _____ have no more power over Christ or Christians! (vs. 9) (John 3:16)
- 3. One man (Jesus) had to die _____, in order that we who believe in Him MAY LIVE FOREVER IN GOD! (vs. 10).
- **Key verse Romans 6:11:**
- WE ARE DEAD TO _____ BUT ALIVE IN _____ THROUGH JESUS CHRIST!

Romans 6:12-14: Since Christians are connected to the resurrection of Jesus Christ, how shall we live on Earth?

- 1. Since sin is “dead” (separated) from you, DON’T LET IT HAVE ANY MORE CONTROL OF YOUR _____! IF IT DOES, YOU WILL OBEY IT! (vs. 12)
- 2. DON’T allow your body to be an “instrument” of sin, but _____ to God’s will. Let your body be an “instrument” for GOD! (vs. 13)
- 3. Since sin is dead, do NOT LET IT RULE YOU ANY LONGER, BECAUSE YOU ARE UNDER THE _____ OF GOD! (vs. 14)

Closing Points:

- THE ONLY WAY SIN BECOMES ACTIVE IN A CHRISTIAN’S LIFE IS WHEN WE GIVE IT _____!
- IF SIN IS DEAD TO CHRISTIANS, IT IS OUR JOB TO _____ IT!
- You can’t get NEW life, with the “_____” life still living!

Apply: What did I learn in today’s lesson that I need to develop in my relationship with God?
