

Session #19: “DEAD OR ALIVE?”— *Romans 6:6-11*

Monday 7:30pm, H 106 (1st floor, High School--foot of stairs, behind the gym, by doughnut/vending machine area),

Tuesday 7:00am, Family, Room, CCCM – Phil Twente, cell # 714 425 9221; email - philtwente@att.net

For past studies, audio plus notes, go to: <http://www.missioncalvary.com/> Click on “Bible Studies” on the left column under “Site Map”

Note: Reference has been made in the following notes to commentaries on Romans by Pastor Chuck Smith, David Hocking and William Newell.

Questions:

- Are justification and sanctification inseparable? Are both totally acts of God? *1 Cor. 6:11*
- Is your Christian life characterized by freedom from the control of sin? Does sin need to control you?
- How do you have victory over sin and its habits? Where was our old man (self, flesh, depravity, old sin nature) put to death? Does the Bible say anywhere that sin died? Do I still have fleshly desires? Do I know have to yield to them? Am I still ruled by them? What do I do when I falter? I have to take the position of reckoning the old man dead—Lord, make it a reality! Why does it take God so long? Could it be that we get in the way, through our efforts, rather than giving it over to the Lord? Oh God help me! I can’t do it! Can you then boast of your resolve?
- How can you set aside the grace of God? (Self righteousness - Gal. 2:21)
- Can demon ever indwell a believer?
- Is God’s plan to “change” the old man or to send it to the cross unto death and release us from it?
- As a believer, who is your only Adam?
- Are we told in these passages to reckon sin dead? Or to reckon ourselves dead to the sin?

THE PRINCIPLES OF THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD- RIGHTEOUSNESS BY FAITH! - *Romans 1:18-8:39*

Principle #1 - CONDEMNATION - *1:18-3:20*

Principle #2 - JUSTIFICATION - *3:21-5:21*

• **Principle #3 - SANCTIFICATION - 6:1-7:25**

The word “sin” appears **17 times** in ch. 6; the word “law” is used **19 times in ch. 7**. In ch. 6, forms of the first person singular “I” appear **just once, but in ch. 7, they appear 47 times!** (The key word of ch. 8 is “Spirit” - used **21 times**)

• **1A. OUR REALIZATION OF CERTAIN FACTS** – You don’t make it happen. They are already true!! - *ROMANS 6:1-10*

1B. The **PROBLEMS** that **DEVELOP** – Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? How do we have continual victory over sin and its habits? 1-2

2B. The **PRINCIPLES** that **DELIVER** – (Baptism, Crucifixion, and Resurrection) - 3-10

1C. **The principle of Baptism (immersion)** - 3-5

2C. **The principle of Crucifixion** - 6-8 - “*knowing*” - vv. 3, 6, 9

Rom 6:6a **knowing this, that our old man** (old sinful, depraved nature) **was crucified with Him**,

1D. The **place of the cross in our deliverance** – It is fundamental!! The finished work of our Savior at the cross. Not a 12 step program, but it was done at the cross! “*our old man* (self, flesh, depravity, old sin nature) **was crucified with Him**” - *Gal. 6:14*- “*old man*” - cf. *Eph. 4:22; Col. 3:9* – (stop lying!) “*crucified with Him*” – (having stripped off like clothes) - *Gal. 2:20-21* (I have been crucified with Christ—**past tense with present finished results if we want them** to be there!) *Gal. 6:14* (We don’t need the world—we need to **get back to the cross!**—we can’t do it by our own Christian efforts!)

Rom 6:6b that the body of (the) sin might be done away with.

2D. The power of sin has been defeated at the cross - “that the body of sin might be done away with” - Greek: *katargeo* (render inoperative, made powerless, void, without effect, dies, not destroyed)-used 44 times in NT - cf. Rom. 3:3, 31; 4:14; 7:2, 6 Sin is very much alive, but if you sin, you choose to do it! Are you denying your responsibility for your sinning?

Rom 6:6c that we should no longer be slaves of sin.

3D. The purpose is to deliver us from slavery to sin - “that we should no longer be slaves of sin”

Rom 6:7 For he who has died has been freed (has been justified) from (the) sin.

4D. The position we now have before God - “For he who has died has been freed from sin” “freed” - Greek: “*has been justified*” (perfect passive)

Rom 6:8 Now if (since) we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him.

5D. The promise we can now count on - “Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him” - cf. Col. 3:1-4 - “if...and it is so” (Greek: *ei* with indicative-subjunctive mood-first class) Because He lives, so do we!!

3C. The principle of Resurrection - 9-10

Rom 6:9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more (no longer). **Death no longer has dominion over Him.**

1D. The fact of His victory - 9 - “no longer has dominion over Him” - death is no longer ruling (“to lord over”) over! - cf. Heb. 2:14-18 The Devil lost it!!!

Rom 6:10a For the death that He died, **He died to sin once for all;**

2D. The finality of His victory - 10a - “died to (not for but to or unto the) sin once for all” - cf. 2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 9:23-28; 10:10-14

Rom 6:10b but the life that He lives, He lives to God.

3D. The future of His victory - 10b - “but the life that He lives, He lives to God” He continues to live! He is alive!!

• 2A. OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO THESE FACTS - ROMANS 6:11-23

Rom 6:11 Likewise you also, **reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to (the) sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

“Likewise” - in the same way, based on the resurrection of our Lord

1B. The COUNTING or RECKONING we must do - *logizomai* - used 42 times in NT; 19 in Romans! It is a word of faith! If I weren't still living in the fleshly body, I would no longer have to reckon this body! So I account my old life governed by my flesh is dead to the sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord! – Gal. 5:17

1C. We are Believing the facts - cf. Col. 2:6-7 You received Him by faith, now walk by faith! By the basis of our belief in eternal life is the basis for believing we are free from the control of sin. Faith in what Jesus did not on your performance. Why don't you believe that the Bible says it's a fact that by what Jesus did, sin no longer has control of you!

2C. We are Basing it upon the Person and work of Jesus Christ - “in Jesus Christ our Lord” Not on our ability, but on the finished work of Jesus Christ!! What do you have to do? You have to believe!

Gal. 2:20-21 We are free!!! From the consequences of sin; from the power of sin and one day when Jesus returns we shall be free from sin! Count it, reckon it to be so!!! Do you believe it? AMEN!!