

Because He Lives

Text: Romans 6:1-14

South Orlando Baptist Church

Topics: Easter, New Master, Death of Sin

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Supplemental Texts: 1 Corinthians 15; Galatians 2:2

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Because He lives, we get to...

- 1) Witness the _____ of sin (vs. 1-3)
 - a. We are not to continue in sin (1-2)
 - b. Our sin nature died with Jesus (3)
 - c. Baptism is a picture of this:
 - i. Baptism is a picture of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.
 - ii. It symbolizes that we have been immersed or placed into Jesus.
 - iii. By being placed under water, the believer is proclaiming that he has died and been buried with Christ.
 - iv. By being raised up from the water, the believer is proclaiming that he has been raised from the dead with Christ to a new life.

- 2) _____ in newness of life (vs. 4-5)
 - a. We are to habitually and constantly walk in the new life that Christ has given us.
 - b. In Christ, the believer...
 - i. Receives a "new birth" (1 Peter 1:23; 1 Peter 2:2).
 - ii. Receives a "new heart" (Ezekiel 11:19; Ezekiel 18:31).
 - iii. Becomes a "new creature" (2 Cor. 5:17; Galatians 6:15).
 - iv. Becomes a "new man" (Ephes. 4:24; Col. 3:10).

- 3) _____ for our new master (vs. 6-14)
 - a. We are no longer enslaved to sin (6)
 - b. We can reject the kingship of sin for the kingship of Jesus (12)
 - c. We are now under grace.

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message.

1. Why should a forgiven, justified person make a strong effort not to sin? (6:1-2)
2. For what reason would a person not want to live in sin any longer? (6:2)
3. What does baptism symbolize about our relationship to Christ? (6:2-4)
4. What makes it possible for a person to live a new life? (6:4)
5. Before a person is united to Christ, to what is he or she a slave? (6:6)
6. How does being united with Christ through His death change our relationship to sin? (6:7)
7. After Christ died and was raised, why did neither sin nor death have any power over Him? (6:7, 9-10)
8. How will uniting with Christ in His death change the future of our lives? (6:8-10)
9. In a person's new relationship with God, what is his or her relationship to sin supposed to be? (6:11-12)
10. What change in attitude and action toward God happens in a person who follows Christ? (6:11-13)
11. Under whose control does a Christian live? (6:14)
12. How does being under grace change a person? (6:14)
13. Why should a Christian stop sinning even though he or she knows God has forgiven and will forgive those sins?
14. How does God help a person discard old habits and tendencies?
15. What are the symptoms of a person in slavery to sin?
16. In what practical sense is sin no longer the master of a Christian even though he or she might still commit specific sins?
17. In what ways is a Christian truly free?
18. How can you offer yourself as an instrument of righteousness to God and to others this week?