

Dying to Sin and Living for Christ

(Romans 6)

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

A. Think about the powerful statements Paul has made in *Romans* about justification before God.

1. "For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight" (3:20).
2. "That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace" (4:16).
3. "Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness" (5:20).

B. The more sin there is, the more wonderful grace is seen to be and the more glory God gets.

C. "But if Paul is correct, shouldn't we continue to sin so that grace may abound to God's glory?"

D. "By no means!" I must die to sin! (1 Peter 2:24; 2 Timothy 2:11; Galatians 2:20).

E. Of utmost importance is **HOW?** At what point do I die to sin and die with Christ? (Rom. 6:1-4)

F. Holiness (as he who called us is holy—1 Peter 1:15) is the logical calling for the Christian:

I. Since we _____ to sin and were _____ to a new life (6:1-4).

II. Since we have a new _____ who is _____ to sin (6:5-14).

III. Since _____ to a Master logically means _____ to that Master (6:15-23).