

GRACE POINT

A New You Part 2: No Longer Slaves

Romans 6; 7:15-25

1. What was most meaningful, memorable, or challenging to you from the message this week?
2. Talk about a time when you did something—big or small—that you knew was a bad idea. Why did you do it even though you knew it wasn't wise?
3. Read Romans 6:1-4. What are some obstacles people face in living out the truth that Jesus has freed them from the power of sin? Why is that truth so difficult to grasp?
4. Talk about some of the “whats”—willpower, discipline, self-help books—you've relied on in the past to try to solve your self-destructive behaviors. How did those things work for you?
5. During the message, Tim said, “All the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection have been applied to us because we are in Him.” How difficult is it for you to believe that statement? Why?
6. How might your life be different if you truly accept the truth that Jesus' death and resurrection didn't just provide a way for you into heaven, but freed you from slavery to sin in this life?
7. When you're faced with temptation, what is one thing you can do to remember to say to yourself, “Sin is not my master. I am dead to sin but alive to God”?

MOVING FORWARD

When you became a Christian you were taken out of Adam and baptized into Christ. What was true of Adam was true of you: you were condemned, guilty, unrighteous, a slave of sin. In Christ, what is true of Christ is true of you: you're free from sin.

Choose an area of your life that Paul's struggle reminds you of. As you begin your wrestling match, say out-loud: Sin is not my master. I am dead to sin but alive to God.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:11

