

# Life After Death

## A Proper Response to the Lord

*“...that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them and rose again.” – 2 Corinthians 5:15*

### 1. Dead Men Walking...The ultimate conundrum

- a. A review of the doctrine: we're crucified with Christ – 2Cor 5:14-15, Gal 2:20
- b. Paul outlines the theological process – Rom 6:3-11
- c. He addresses the ensuing problem – Rom 7:15-25
- d. We often look at this problem as a behavioral issue; sin = bad works

### 2. Desires of the Flesh...A closer look

- a. Fleshly works are clear – 1Cor 6:9-10, Gal 5:19-21, Col 3:5-9, Rom 1:29-32
- b. But could the works of the flesh be more than just doing bad things?
- c. We know no man after the flesh, even our old man – 2Cor 5:16, Eph 4:22-23
- d. Put off the affections of the old man – Gal 5:24, Eph 2:2-3
- e. The old man's affections aren't always those bad works of the flesh, rather...
- f. We seek our own and mind earthly things – Phi 2:21 & 3:17-19
- g. Or things that are noble to the world – 2Tim 2:22-3:7, Jer 17:9, Psa 10:3

### 3. Servants of God...The proper response

- a. We are grown sons of God and complete in Christ – Col 2:10, Gal 4:1-7
- b. We've been given the manifold wisdom of God – Col 1:26-27, Eph 1:9 & 3:10
- c. It's easy to get puffed up – 1Cor 8:1 (...pride IS listed as a work of the flesh!)
- d. A better understanding of the crucified life is needed – Rom 6:18 & 22
- e. We were bought with a price – 1Cor 6:19-20 & 7:22-23
- f. Our position is not a servant, but our duty is (as was Christ's) – Phi 2:5-8
- g. A servant of Christ does not please men...that includes our old man – Gal 1:10

### 4. Living for the Lord...Really

- a. Remember, there's a battle going on – Eph 6:10-17
- b. Whether you like it or not, you've been enlisted – 2Tim 2:3-4, Phi 3:20
- c. Our service and duty is to mind the things of God not our own – Col 3:1-3
- d. We'll be held accountable for our service – 2Cor 5:10, Rom 14:10-12, Col 3:24
- e. God needs matured, faithful stewards – 1Cor 4:1-2, 2Cor 6:4
- f. Not children distracted by the flesh and the world – 1Cor 3:18-21, Rom 16:18
- g. Doing the Lord's work makes peculiar people – Titus 2:14, 2Cor 6:17
- h. Living for the Lord sets you apart because of the light you shine – Phi 2:12-16