



Week of June 21, 2020

Romans 6:1-11

¹ What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound?

² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it?

³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

⁴ Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin.

⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin.

⁸ But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.



Group Leader

Remember: you don't need to use all of the questions. Go with what works. Give people a chance to think before answering, but if a question falls flat, move on. Let the discussion go where it needs to go, as long as it remains centered around the lesson. Give the participants page 1. Use this page for yourself.

Gathering questions:

- A. When it comes to spring cleaning, do you hang onto things or is your philosophy "when in doubt, throw it out"?
- B. Describe an item in your home of sentimental value to you and discuss why it is meaningful.

Bible Study Questions:

1. In verse 1, why do you think the question "Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound?" needs to be asked? What does Paul mean by asking it (rhetorically, of course)?
2. What does the phrase "baptized into his death" mean to you?
3. In verse 7, do you think "whoever has died" is referring to physical death? What death does Paul mean? And what does it mean to be "freed from sin"?
4. In verse 6, Paul speaks of being "enslaved to sin", which is a phrase that Paul uses often. What does it mean to you to be "enslaved to sin"? List different ways in which sin works to enslave us (and you). Name as many different ways as you can.
5. How might you "live to God" more fully?
6. Is there something in your life that you need to die to in order to be more able to move forward?

Closing prayer: particularly invite prayers about letting something go that will free you.