

MESSAGE NOTES

“Practical Teaching for Everyday Living”

WINNING THE WAR ON SIN Romans: The Power of the Gospel Romans 6:1-23 Kevin T. Hardy July 10, 2022

What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? (Ro 6:1).

What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? (Ro 6:15).

By no means!

SO HOW DO WE WIN THE WAR ON SIN?

1). UNDERSTAND WHAT NEEDS TO BE _____

We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? (Ro 6:2-3)

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. (Ro 6:3-4).

We have been emancipated from the bondage to SIN by the GRACE of God through Jesus Christ.

- **YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR _____!**

For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. (Ro 6:6-7).

- **YOU ARE NOW _____ AS A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST**
- **YOU HAVE _____ TO SIN!**

2). _____ THE COST!

In the same way, count (consider) yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. (Ro 6:11).

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. 3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Col. 3:2-4

Then Jesus said to his disciples, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. (Matt. 16:24)

Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. (Ro 6:12).

3). _____ **YOURSELF COMPLETELY TO THE REIGN OF CHRIST**

Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness. 14 For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.(Ro 6:13–14).

Don't you know that when **you offer yourselves to someone** to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or **to obedience**, which leads to righteousness?(Ro 6:16).

WHO OR WHAT ENSLAVES YOU?

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But **thanks be to God** that, though **you used to be slaves to sin**, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. 18 **You have been set free from sin** and have become **slaves to righteousness** (Ro 6:17–18).

I put this **in human terms** because you are weak in your natural selves. Just as **you used to offer the parts of your body** in slavery to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so **now offer them in slavery to righteousness leading to holiness.** (Ro 6:19).

When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. 21 What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? **Those things result in death!** (Ro 6:20–21).

But now that **you have been set free from sin** and have become slaves to God, **the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.** (Ro 6:22).