

WORD OF GRACE

Part 8: Freedom | Text: Romans 6:1-14

Romans 6:1-11

We can see that God's grace is working to bring us into a place of walking in the _____ that Christ provided for us.

Definitions:

Justification: Acquitted and declared in right standing, a righteous status, made new on the inside because of Christ's sacrifice, set free from the penalty of sin, and given entry into the Kingdom of God.

Sanctification: A process of growth that allows me to receive all the provision that I was given at justification, set apart for God, free from the power of sin, and grace helps me walk in a way that glorifies the King and benefits.

Identification: My union with Christ, I am one with Him and part of the family, and it is mine to enjoy.

Sin: Nature of the flesh, sin nature, or the Adamic nature. Sins are a result of acting on my sin nature. Galatians 5:19-21 | Matthew 15:18, 19 James 4:1 | 1 John 2:16

Romans 6:3-5 (Msg)

The concept of _____ is used for us to understand how the power of sin no longer has power over our lives.

- Matthew 3:13-17 Righteousness
- Galatians 3:26 / Galatians 4:7 Identification
- Colossians 2:11-14 Into Him
- 1 Corinthians 12:13 Into the body

Matthew 3:13-17 (NIV) Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. (14) But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" (15) Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented. (16) As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. (17) And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

Romans 6:6 (Amp)

Because of my _____ with Christ in His death and resurrection, I am ruined for the dominion of sin.

1 John 2:1 | 1 John 3:6 (Amp) | 1 John 3:9 (NLT) | Galatians 5:16

1 John 2:1 (NLT) My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if you do sin, there is someone to plead for you before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who pleases God completely.

Romans 6:12-14

The days of sin's _____ over us are gone and now we are allowing ourselves to be used by God to bless others.

Hebrews 12:14 | 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20 (NLT) | 2 Corinthians 5:15

Romans 12:1, 2 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. (2) Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Summary:

- Christ died to sin. (Romans 6:10)
- We died with Christ. (Romans 6:5, 8)
- Therefore, we have died to sin. (Romans 6:2)

D12 Group Discussion Questions

1. Discuss the definitions that are given.
2. Discuss the prophetic nature of Jesus' baptism and its application to your life.
3. Discuss the 1 John scriptures and make applications to your life.
4. Discuss the parallel between Hebrews 4:12 and Romans 12:1, 2.