Dead to Sin, Alive in Christ - Romans 6:1-14

Topics: Change, Consequences, God, Holiness, Jesus Christ, Life-style, New Life, Salvation, Sin, Slavery

Open It

- 1. What would most people like to change about their lives?
- 2. What is one thing you'd like to change about your life?
- * 3. What motivates people to make major changes in their lives?

Explore It

- 4. Why should a forgiven, justified person make a strong effort not to sin? (6:1-2)
- 5. For what reason would a person not want to live in sin any longer? (6:2)
- 6. What does baptism symbolize about our relationship to Christ? (6:2-4)
- * 7. What makes it possible for a person to live a new life? (6:4)
 - 8. Before a person is united to Christ, to what is he or she a slave? (6:6)
 - 9. How does being united with Christ through His death change our relationship to sin? (6:7)
 - 10. After Christ died and was raised, why did neither sin nor death have any power over Him? (6:7, 9-10)
- * 11. How will uniting with Christ in His death change the future of our lives? (6:8-10)
- * 12. In a person's new relationship with God, what is his or her relationship to sin supposed to be? (6:11-12)
 - 13. What change in attitude and action toward God happens in a person who follows Christ? (6:11-13)
 - 14. Under whose control does a Christian live? (6:14)
 - 15. How does being under grace change a person? (6:14)

Get It

- 16. What does this passage tell us about God and Christ?
- 17. What does this passage tell us about all people and their relationship to God?
- 18. What kind of changes does God want to make in our lives when we become Christians?
- * 19. Why should a Christian stop sinning even though he or she knows God has forgiven and will forgive those sins?
- * 20. How does God help a person discard old habits and tendencies?
 - 21. How does God give a person a new self?
 - 22. What are the symptoms of a person in slavery to sin?
 - 23. How would you describe the character of someone who is alive to God in Christ?
 - 24. What does it mean to live a new life for God?
 - 25. In what practical sense is sin no longer the master of a Christian even though he or she might still commit specific sins?
 - 26. In what ways is a Christian truly free?

Apply It

- 27. How can you actively resist the tendency to sin in your everyday life?
- * 28. How can you offer yourself as an instrument of righteousness to God and to others this week?