

# Romans

(22) Sanctification

1. Study 2. Surrender 3. Service

*The doctrine: The believer's position in Christ...6:5*

Building on verse 4, what does Paul now assert for the believer? vs.5, 8

**If we have died with Christ we certainly will rise with Him! It's absolutely certain.**

How is this different from those "in Adam"? 5:16; ICor.15:22

**All who are in Adam die. All who are in Christ shall be made alive! What Grace!!**

*2. Because of knowing, we are to surrender or yield...6:12-14*

What is the conclusion of a true believer *knowing* we have died in Christ? vs.11

**We are to consider, reckon, count ourselves as dead to sin but alive to God, in Christ.**

What's the difference between *being* dead in Christ and *considering* ourselves dead in Christ?

**The first is positional, factual, already done. The second is understanding it, living it.**

And what's the second step in our sanctification? vs.12-13

**Do not (continue to) yield (surrender) your members as instruments to sin. Yield to Him.**

What's another way Paul says this same truth? 12:1

**Present your bodies as a living sacrifice to God. Again, the command to yield, surrender.**

How does Paul state this truth to the church at Corinth? ICor.6:15-20

**Our bodies (physically) are members of Christ. Bought with a price, glorify God in body.**

And why, for a believer, is this now possible? 6:14

**We have died to Sin. It's no longer our master. No longer law (don't) but grace (do).**

*3. Because of knowing, we are to Serve...6:15-23*

As a result of verse 14, what does Paul (correctly) anticipate? vs.15 And the response?

**Does "under grace, not law..." give believers a freedom to sin? Ans: No way!**

How does he reason with us about this issue? vs.16-18

**He uses the analogy of being slaves to the one we obey, sin-death, or righteousness-life.**

Why did Paul use this master-slave analogy? vs.19a

**He was putting the spiritual truth in "human terms", because of our natural weakness.**

What does "...used to" refer to? vs.19b And what is the one thing we were then free from? vs.20

**Before salvation. Totally under sin's control, and free from the control of righteousness!**

What's his point in verse 21?

**Look back! What did you ever benefit from those shameful things? Only result was death!**

And what is the astounding comparison of life after salvation? vs.22

**Set free from the mastery of sin, now slaves of God. Brings holiness and then eternal life.**

What does wages vs gift emphasize in verse 23?

**The earned payment for sin is death, but the free gift for those in Christ, is eternal life!**