

Studies In Romans

(Romans 6:1-13)

1. Should we continue to sin expecting grace to cover it?

No: *"(1) What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? (2) God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein" (Romans 6:1-2)?*

- Grace teaches us NOT to sin (**Titus 2:11-14**).
- You cannot continue in sin (**I Corinthians 15:34, II Corinthians 7:1, II Corinthians 13:11, Ephesians 1:4, I Peter 1:13-16, and Revelation 3:2**).
- As we'll address later in this context, you are supposed to be dead to sin (**I Peter 2:24**).

2. When you are buried in baptism and come up out of the water, what should you walk in?

Newness of life: *"(3) Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? (4) Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:3-4).*

- There is a spiritual simulation of death, burial, and resurrection involved in baptism (**Colossians 2:12-13**).
- Those there is more one must do to be saved than just baptism (**Matthew 13:19, Luke 13:1-5, Luke 14:25-33, John 8:23-24, Acts 3:19, Romans 10:9-10, Hebrews 11:6, etc.**), a sinner must be baptized to be saved (**Matthew 28:19, Mark 16:15-16, Acts 2:37-41, Acts 8:12-13, Acts 8:25-39, Acts 9:18-20, Acts 10:44-48, Acts 16:14-15, Acts 16:25-34, Acts 18:8, Acts 19:1-7, Acts 22:16, and I Peter 3:20-21**).
- We have to walk in newness of life (**Colossians 3:1-17**).

3. What is the result of being planted together in the likeness of the death of Christ?

Being raised in the resurrection like Him: *"For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection" (Romans 6:5).*

- In a figurative sense, we have been planted once in Christ (**Matthew 13:37-38 and John 15:1-8**).
- Jesus was the first fruit from the dead and we shall follow in a like manner (**I Corinthians 15:20-23**).
- We'll discuss this more in question # 6.

4. What should happen to the old you at conversion?

The old you should die: *“Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin” (Romans 6:6).*

- Old, sinful person, should be gone (**Galatians 5:24** and **Ephesians 4:17-5:11**).
- A servant of sin is one who commits sin (**John 8:34**).

5. What are you free from if the old you (spiritually speaking) is dead?

Sin: *“For he that is dead is freed from sin” (Romans 6:7).*

- Being free from sins requires a new you (**I Peter 4:1-5**).

6. Once conversion takes place and the old you is dead, what are you living for now?

Living unto God looking forward to life to come: *“(8) Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: (9) Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. (10) For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. (11) Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:8-11).*

- Faith in the Resurrection (**John 6:39-40**, **John 14:1-3**, **II Corinthians 4:14**, **I Thessalonians 4:13-18**, and **I Peter 1:3-9**).
- No more death (**I Corinthians 15:26**).
- Living unto God (**Galatians 2:20**).

7. What will you obey if you allow sin to reign in your mortal body?

You will obey the lust thereof: *“Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof” (Romans 6:12).*

- You cannot let sin be inside you because you are in a war between the spirit and flesh (**Galatians 5:16-17** and **I Peter 2:11**).
- We cannot deny that sin is pleasurable (**Hebrews 11:23-26**).
- Jesus tells us why we should not enter into temptation because the flesh is weak (**Mark 14:38**).
- Don't give in (**Romans 13:13-14**).

8. What kind of instruments should we be?

Instruments of righteousness unto God: *“Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God” (Romans 6:13).*

- Be a tool for good, not for evil (**Matthew 24:42-46**, **Galatians 6:10**, and **I Peter 3:10-11**; cf. **I John 3:8-10**).