

THE GRACE OF GOD
Romans 6:15-23

Intro: As we continue looking at the Grace of God, we are in Romans 6. We have noted that in the first seven verses Paul began to establish the _____ concept of victory over sin by the Grace of God, not a license to commit sin. Paul further developed this concept as we continued our study in Romans 6 last time. He showed that the believer is dead _____ Christ (Vs 6-7) and alive _____ Christ (Vs 8-14). Today we see Paul addressing the Grace versus Sin issue from a slightly different perspective.

- I. The _____ -What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? Vs 15a
- A. Because we are alive in Christ and not under the _____ of the Law
 - B. Because of the _____ we have and enjoy in Christ as believers
 - C. Does that _____ us a license to sin-since we will not suffer the _____ of our sin?
- II. The _____ to the question-God forbid Vs 15b
- A. Don't even allow such a ridiculous idea enter your _____
 - B. Don't even draw such an _____ conclusion
- III. The _____ thinking behind Paul's position Vs 16-18
- A. There is a principle that cannot be _____ Vs 16
 - 1. Know ye not-do you not _____ and understand?
 - 2. To whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey
 - a. Whatever or whomever you allow to _____ over your thinking and behavior
 - b. That thing or being is your _____, and you are the servant
 - 3. Whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness
 - a. Sin _____ brings death
 - b. Obedience to God _____ is the right thing to do-no exceptions!
 - B. There is a past that must be dealt with daily after conversion Vs 17a
Ye were the servants of sin-before conversion our master was _____, and the result of our life was death
 - C. There is a _____ that has taken place that makes a "world of difference" Vs 17b
 - 1. Obeyed-to hear and _____ to what is heard
 - 2. From the heart-the _____ of our emotions, the mind
 - 3. That form of doctrine-the preaching of the Gospel
 - a. Form-the idea of a pre-constructed shape into which molten metal is poured and when cooled bears the _____ of the mold
 - b. Doctrine-_____, conformity to the teaching given previously
 - D. There is a _____ victory to be enjoyed over the past sinful habits. Vs 18
 - 1. Made free from sin-a _____ action, slavery to sin is broken
 - 2. Ye became the servants of righteousness-_____ slavery to doing right in God's sight
 - 3. When one is freed from their sin, they are at _____ to become like Christ through the enabling Holy Spirit who lives inside them.
- IV. The logical _____ drawn by Paul from his presentation Vs 19-23
- A. Since the believer has become a servant of _____-supernatural work by God Vs 19
 - 1. I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh:-Paul's analogy was in keeping with _____ thinking and understanding
 - 2. For as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto

iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

- a. Before salvation we were the slaves to and mastered by _____
- b. After salvation we were _____ from the penalty and power of sin, therefore we should yield ourselves unto _____ and the righteousness He wished to bring through our _____
- B. Before we were saved righteous living was of no _____ or significance to us Vs 20-21
- C. After conversion, the past way of unrighteous living is no longer _____ us. Now as believers our desire is to live a holy life with an _____ perspective. Vs 22
- D. The difference between the saved and the unsaved is the eternal _____. Vs 23

Concl: The Grace of God is the _____ by which we can live a victorious life over sin. The Grace of God is not a license to sin, instead, it is the _____ God has given to us enabling us to live like Christ.