

### Knowledge Objectives

in "Sanctification" taught in Romans 6—know, consider, and present—and how our identification with Christ at salvation makes these steps possible.

Recognize the importance of refusing to obey sin and refusing to feed the flesh.

Understand why <u>God-dependent</u> **self-denial** is crucial to flesh-free living.

### **Application Objectives**

Respond by **using the teachings** of Romans 6 in your daily fight against the power of your fleshly nature.

Respond by **examining your life** for areas where you are feeding the flesh.

Respond by appreciating the importance of **self-denial** instead of despising or resisting it.

# No Longer ASLAVE SIN

<sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

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<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

# No Longer ASLAVE SIN

<sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.



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# Small Group Study

Lesson Maker

## Romans 8:13

13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

#### Colossians 3:1-5

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# John Owen

"Every lust is a depraved habit or disposition that continually inclines the heart toward evil."

"The primary task of mortification is to weaken this habit of sin so that its power to express itself—in violence, frequency, tumult, provocation, and unrest—is quelled."

### We Have to **Know** Some Things

# KNOW...

We have been "crucified with Christ."

Rom 6:1-6

We have been "resurrected with Christ."

Rom 6:4-6

We are no longer a slave to sin.

Rom 6:6-7

We are **alive** with Christ.

Rom 6:8-10

#### We Have to **consider** Some Things

# CONSIDER...

Consider yourself dead to sin

Rom 6:11

Consider yourself alive in Christ

Rom 6:11

Consider that God sees it all

Prov 5:21

#### We Have to present Some Things

# present...

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### We Have to **Present** Some Things

# Romans 6:16

<sup>16</sup> Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as **obedient slaves**, you are slaves of the one whom you **obey**, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

### We Have to **Present** Some Things

## Romans 6:19

<sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

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# We have to Present Some Things

The Christian life is not easy, but it is not complicated.

# We have to Present Some Things

The flesh <u>can</u> be denied, and it <u>must</u> be denied.

# We have to Present Some Things

# We are foolish to feed the flesh.

# 1 Peter 2:11

<sup>11</sup> Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

# Galatians 2:20

<sup>20</sup> I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

# Galatians 6:7-8

<sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. <sup>8</sup> For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

# The Seat Belt of Self-Denial

Since the flesh is always with us, self-denial is always needed because the danger is always present.

# Back to SANCTIFICATION

STARVE the "flesh"

Don't feed it!

Say NO to the "flesh".

#### Take Time to Reflect

Is your entertainment flesh-free?

Is your pursuit of possessions flesh-free?

Are your friendships flesh-free?