



Sermon Discussion Questions

"Dead to Sin, Alive in Christ"

Romans 6:1-14

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Opener:

When you became a Christian, was the change in your life dramatic, gradual or imperceptible? Elaborate.

What motivates you to live a "good" life?

Questions: [The following questions are meant to supplement the sermon, to offer further points of interaction with the selected text. Feel free to ask your group your own questions regarding the sermon or text.]

1. In this passage, "death" and "died" are used several times. What do you think is the main point Paul is trying to make?

2. In what sense is baptism both a funeral and a resurrection?

3. How is it that people become "slaves to sin"?

How can a person escape this enslavement?

4. What does it mean to be "dead to sin"?

If we are dead to sin, how is it that Christians still deal with sin?

5. What does it mean to "count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God" (v 11)?

Application:

6. What might be hindering you to be "alive to God"?

7. How does the knowledge of your death to sin affect your challenge with sin, or how can it?

How can it affect your prayer life?

8. Take some time to pray together, silently or aloud, and ask God to put sin in a fresh perspective for you. Then ask God to usher in his full presence, awakening you once more to the Holy Spirit. Ask God to reinvigorate your prayer life, that you would once again see God's abundance within your life. Go about your week this week in expectation that God is answering your prayer.

*These questions were adapted from *The NIV Quiet Time Bible* (InterVarsity, 1996) and *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).