

## Romans 6- Freedom From Sin

Last week we learned that everyone will stand before the judge and must account for their sins. All will be found guilty. Jesus Christ is our only hope. He has offered the greatest gift you could possibly receive. Even though you are completely guilty, Jesus, the God-Man, who is completely innocent, has taken on your sins so that you could be set free. Christ has freed you. You can live in paradise with Jesus because of the sacrifice he made.

You've been set free from your sin. What's next? Do you keep on sinning? When you give your life to Jesus, he becomes your master. Sin, which was once your master, must be put to death. It cannot continue to control you. Romans 6:12-14 reads, "Let no sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness but present yourselves to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you."

Sin is like an Octopus. When you attempt to kill it, it does everything it can to survive. It shoots out black ink to defend itself and it camouflages into its surroundings. Sin does all it can to stay alive in your life. It wants to control you. It does not want to die. It will disguise itself and do all it can to stay in your life. John Owen, a puritan preacher wrote, "Be killing sin or it will kill you." Sin cannot rule over you. You have one master- that is Jesus Christ.

Romans 6:22-23 reads, "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." There is only one way to defeat sin- that is through Jesus Christ. He is victorious over sin. He has overcome. The believer must trust and rely on Christ to fight and win against sin.

### **Questions**

- 1. There is only way of spending eternity in paradise. What is that one way?**
- 2. What must the new believer do to sin?**
- 3. How is sin dangerous?**
- 4. What is our biggest resource to fight sin?**