



Sermon Discussion Guide

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Text: Romans 6:1-14

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SUMMARY

Big Idea: Christ Provides Forgiveness For Us and New Life In Us

Romans 1 through 5 makes the two-fold argument: 1) All are guilty sinners, therefore 2) salvation (justification) cannot be by works, it must be by grace alone through the gift of faith alone. "Well," some may say, "it sounds like my works, since they contribute nothing to my salvation, then, it must not matter at all how I live. I am free to live however I want to." This error of license, Paul combats and redirects in Romans 6 with a hard, "No!". Your life and works, they display your true identity. That new identity is marked by two realities: the forgiveness you've received and the new life, now, that you've been given, and these flow out of your union with Christ in his death and resurrection.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Romans 6:1-4

1. What is it that Christians should "know" in these verses?
2. What makes knowing this difficult for you? (Where do we get "stuck" in verse 3 and not push through to verse 4?)

Read Romans 6:5-11

3. What two things should Christians "know" in these verses? (v 6, 9)
4. How does that knowledge/belief relate to us? What makes knowing these difficult for you?

Read Romans 6:12-14

5. These verses summarize Paul's argument. How does the last line contribute a key, gospel-centered motivation? Why is this essential and needed for you?

Consider the passage as a whole:

- What is the relationship between belief (knowing) and behavior? How does God work to change our behavior, and why is that important for you to remember? Why is that important for you to remember as you disciple others? (fellow believers, unbelievers, our kids?)

Interact with the following quote from the sermon, "*God's moral imperatives (Commands) are always based in Redemptive Indicatives (What God has Done)*"

- What does it mean? Where do you see these dynamics in Romans 6?
- Why is this distinction helpful, important, necessary?