

The Righteousness of the Law

Romans Chapter 6 – part 1

Theme Verses

[Rom 2:26] Therefore if the uncircumcision keep *the righteousness of the law*, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision?

[Rom 8:3-4] For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His Own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: 4 That *the righteousness of the law* might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Outline of Chapter 6, part 1

A. Vs 1 - 7, Dead TO Sin

1. vs 1, Shall we continue in sin...
 - a. The question here makes us think about what was written in Romans chapter 5, vs 20.
 - b. Rom 5:20 says where sin abounded, grace did much more abound
 - c. Here then is the question: Shall we just go on sinning so that grace will abound in our sinful life?
2. vs 2, The answer: God Forbid!
 - a. The answer to the question asked in verse one is “God Forbid”
 - b. The reason for this answer is stated in the rest of the verse
 - c. How shall those who are “Dead TO Sin” continue to live in sin?
3. vs 3, Baptized into the Death of the Lord Jesus Christ
 - a. Baptized Into Jesus Christ means that we entered Him by baptism
 - b. When we entered Him by baptism, we also entered into His death
 - c. This is the death that is to result in us being “Dead To Sin”
4. vs 4, Buried into Death, Raised to a New Life
 - a. Notice that this verse states we are buried “WITH Him”
 - b. The burial with Him means we are already saved before baptized
 - c. The burial into death is so we can raise to living a new life
 - d. The old way of living is to be left in the watery grave to raise up and live a new life with the Lord Jesus
5. vs 5, Buried in Likeness to be Raised in Likeness
 - a. Being “Planted” means to be baptized in likeness of His death
 - b. Shall be raised in likeness of His resurrection
 - c. The future resurrection is connected to present baptism

6. vs 6, The Body of Sin

- a. The body of sin is our old man who lived in sin continually
- b. The old man who lived continually in sin is crucified with the Lord
- c. The body of sin is to be destroyed that we won't go on living in sin

7. vs 7, Dead TO sin, realized

- a. To be dead is to be freed from sin
- b. We are baptized into death which frees us to a new way of life

B. Vs 8 – 11, Living with Christ

1. vs 8, IF we are dead with Christ, then life is also sure
 - a. Baptized into death to be raised to live
2. vs 9, Christ dieth No More
 - a. Christ was raised from the dead so then He can die No more
 - b. Death lost any dominion over Christ seeing that he overcame it
3. vs 10, Christ Died TO Sin
 - a. Christ truly died and in this death He died to sin
 - b. Now that He lives beyond death, He lives unto God
 - c. Dead to sin but living to God
4. vs 11, Dead to Sin but Alive to God
 - a. Taking the Lord as our pattern, count ourselves dead to sin
 - b. Also, like Christ, be alive to God
 - c. This life to God is through Jesus Christ our Lord

EXAMPLE VERSES:

[1Jo 3:7-9]

7 Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as He is righteous.

8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning.

For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.