

PAX ROMANA

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Living a Life of Discipline!

Romans 6.3-11

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1.18 (NIV)

How does one live 'Dead to Sin'?

Being Dead to sin is a result of: UNION WITH CHRIST.

*Do you not know that all of us who have been **baptized** into Christ Jesus were **baptized** into his death? 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. 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.*

Romans 6.3-5 (ESV)

Baptism:

- to immerse
- to purify or cleanse spiritually especially by a purging experience

United:

- Joined together
- Grafted in

Each of us is a part of the one body of Christ. Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But the Holy Spirit has fitted us all together into one body. We have been baptized into Christ's body by the one Spirit, and have all been given that same Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12.13 (TLB)

Being Dead to sin results in: OUR FREEDOM IN CHRIST.

*And we know that our old being has been put to death with Christ on his cross, in order that the power of the **sinful self might be destroyed**, so that we should **no longer be the slaves of sin**. For when people die, they are **set free from the power of sin**.*

Romans 6.6-7 (GNT)

Being Dead to sin results in: OUR COMPLETENESS WITH CHRIST.

As surely as we died with Christ, we believe we will also live with him. We know that death no longer has any power over Christ. He died and was raised to life, never again to die. When Christ died, he died for sin once and for all. But now he is alive, and he lives only for God.

Romans 6.8-10 (CEV)

From now on, think of it this way: Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you; God speaks your mother tongue, and you hang on every word. You are dead to sin and alive to God. That's what Jesus did.

Romans 6.11 (MESSAGE)