

## 20230611 You are under grace

Romans 6:8-14

<sup>8</sup> Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

<sup>9</sup> For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him.

<sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

<sup>11</sup> In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.

<sup>13</sup> Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.

<sup>14</sup> For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

### 1. God created us in His image.

### 2. Our common problem: SIN

Sin: An entity, a presence, a strange power that drives us not to be the very person God intends us to become; an entity that entices us so that we may not experience all the good things that God has in store for us.

### 3. Jesus took care of our sin problem by taking our place:

He died to sin on the cross and rose to new life from the dead.

### 4. How to experience new life in Christ (3 important steps of spiritual truths)

## (1) Knowing

### Romans 6:3, 6, 9

<sup>3</sup> Or don't you **know** that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

<sup>6</sup> For we **know** that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin--

<sup>9</sup> For we **know** that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him.

## (2) Counting

### Romans 6:11

<sup>11</sup> In the same way, **count** yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

### Colossians 3:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Since, then, **you have been raised with Christ**, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

<sup>2</sup> **Set your minds on things above**, not on earthly things.

<sup>3</sup> For **you died**, and **your life is NOW hidden with Christ** in God.

<sup>4</sup> When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

<sup>10</sup> ...**the new self**, which is **being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator**.

### Romans 12:2

<sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but **be transformed by the renewing of your mind**.

### **(3) Offering ourselves to God**

#### **Romans 6:13**

<sup>13</sup> Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather **offer yourselves to God**, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him **as instruments of righteousness**.