The Power to Overcome Sin

Romans 6:1–23

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Two Questions About Grace

“Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?”

Romans 6:1

“Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace?”

Romans 6:15

Paul’s Answer

“By no means!”

Three Responses to God’s Grace

Recognise Your Position.

Refuse Sin’s Domination.

Respond in Submission.

1. Recognise Your Position — Rest in His Victory

Romans 6:1–10

“We Died to Sin”

Romans 6:2

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 6:5

“We have been baptized into Christ Jesus”

Romans 6:3

“We were buried with Christ”

Romans 6:4

“We might walk in newness of life”

Romans 6:4

“Our old self was crucified with him …

so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.”

Romans 6:6

9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.

Romans 6:9-10

“Death no longer has dominion over him.”

Romans 6:9

“He died to sin, once for all.”

Romans 6:10

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Recognise Your Position — Rest in His Victory!

You belong to Christ.

2. Refuse Sin’s Domination — Resist Its Tyranny

Romans 6:11–14

“You must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

Romans 6:11

“Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.”

Romans 6:12

Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

Romans 6:13

Your Body Can Serve God

Eyes: recognise another person’s needs or lust

Mind: dwell on what is true or have evil thoughts

Tongue: speak truth and encouragement or gossip and curse

Hands: serve others or grab from others

Feet: go where obedience leads or walk in rebellion

“For sin will have no dominion over you,

since you are not under law but under grace.”

Romans 6:14

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Recognise Your Position — Rest in His Victory

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Refuse Sin’s Domination — Resist Its Tyranny

You need not obey your former master.

3. Respond in Submission — Revere His Sovereignty

Romans 6:15–23

“Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace?”

“By no means!”

Romans 6:15

“You are slaves of the one whom you obey.”

Romans 6:16

“You … have become obedient from the heart

to the standard of teaching to which you were committed.”

Romans 6:17

“Having been set free from sin, [you] have become slaves of righteousness.”

Romans 6:18

“Present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.”

Romans 6:19

“What fruit were you getting at that time

from the things of which you are now ashamed?”

Romans 6:21

What Has Sin Produced?

Damaged relationships.

Compromised integrity.

Entrenched habits.

Shame and regret.

Disrupted fellowship with God.

“The end of those things is death.”

Romans 6:21

“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.”

Romans 6:22

“The wages of sin is death,

but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 6:23

“How can I honour the Lord to whom I belong?”

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Refuse Sin’s Domination — Resist Its Tyranny

You need not obey your former master.

Respond in Submission — Revere His Sovereignty

Offer your whole life to God.

Stop using grace to excuse sin.

Rest. Resist. Revere.