

# **DEAD TO SIN?**

## **ROMANS 6:1-2**

### **I. AN INTRODUCTION TO ROMANS SIX**

- A. This Chapter Is A Theological Treatise On What It Means To Appropriately The Righteousness Of Christ In One's Christian Experience.
- B. This Chapter Reckons With The Key Factor Which Generally Proves To Be The Main Obstacle To Any Believer Experiencing Victory: The Indwelling Sin Nature (Principle) And Our Propensity To Yield Ourselves To It.
- C. This Chapter Proposes Logical Conclusions To The Teaching Of (Romans 5:20-21).

### **II. AN OVERVIEW OF THE FIRST QUESTION POSED IN THE CHAPTER**

- A. An Absurd Conclusion (6:1)
  - 1. Reached By Antinomians?
  - 2. Reached By Those With High Regard For The Law?
- B. Paul's Answer Summarized (6:2)
  - 1. The Apostle Recoils
  - 2. The Apostle Provides His Conclusion In The Form Of Another Question
- C. Paul's Answer Expanded (6:3-14)
  - 1. Death To Sin Is The Major Topic Of This Entire Section
  - 2. The Subject Is Discussed In Three Parts

### **III. AN HISTORY OF THE VIEWS ON DEATH TO SIN**

- A. Inadequate Views
  - 1. The View Of Robert Haldane: Justification
  - 2. The View Of Charles Hodge: Renunciation
  - 3. The View Of Most Arminian Proponents: Obligation
  - 4. The View Of Dying To Sin Day By Day: Progression
  - 5. The View Of J.B. Phillips: Perfection
- B. The Text's View: This Is Our Position
  - 1. In Keeping With Our Union With Christ And His Death
  - 2. In Keeping With The Centrality Of The Cross In The Believer's Life

**THE FLOW**  
**OF**  
**THE TRANSITION FROM ROMANS FIVE TO SIX**

**PREMISE # 1**

God's grace abounds exceedingly over abounding sin!  
*...where sin abounded, grace did much more abound... (Rom. 5:20b)*

**POSSIBLE WRONG CONCLUSION**

*What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?*  
*(Rom. 6:1)*

**PREMISE #2**

God's grace is designed to reign in the life of a believer  
*That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign... (Rom. 5:21)*

**POSSIBLE WRONG CONCLUSION**

*What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law, but under grace?*  
*(Rom. 6:15)*